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OF THE

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OF THE

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RULES OF CONFERENCE.

I. When any member of this Conference intends to object to the passage of the character of any other member, he shall hand the name of such member to the President, who shall pass the name by, and direct the case to be investigated.

II. When any one of our members is called from earth, it shall be the duty of the nearest pastor, or the Presiding Elder of the district, to notify all the preachers in the district of such death, and of the time set for the funeral services.

III. At each session of the Conference, a publisher shall be elected to publish the Minutes of the next session, who shall be authorized to make arrangements, and to enter into a contract for the publication in advance of the session.

IV. The Presiding Elder of the district, and the preacher in charge of the station where the Conference is to be held, together with the Presidents of the several Conference Societies, are instructed to arrange the program of religious exercises, and, if practicable, secure their publication in the *Central Christian Advocate.*

V. The Board of Stewards shall consist of six members, each of whom shall serve three years—two being appointed at each session of the Conference. The Board shall organize by the appointment of a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, whose names shall be published, and who shall serve one year.

VI. When the names for candidates for admission on trial or for orders are called, they shall, if present, be called forward and introduced to the Conference.

VII. All candidates for recognition of orders shall, unless excused by vote of the Conference, be examined in the same manner as candidates for ordination, and the Committee on Conference Relations shall inquire into the character and fitness for the traveling connection of each candidate for admission on trial, for admission into full connection, or for readmission into the Conference; and the Conference Board of Education shall be a Standing Committee to examine and report to the Conference upon the admissibility of certificates of grades from literary and theological institutions in lieu of an examination by the Conference Board of Examiners.

VIII. There shall be a meeting of the Statistical Secretaries with the Conference Treasurer at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning, for the purpose of comparing the money reported in the Statistical tables.

IX. When a minister in the active work dies, the district in which he dies shall provide a monument for him, at a cost of not less than fifty dollars; and when a superannuated member dies, the Presiding Elder in whose district he falls shall make apportionment to the other districts.

X. Each Presiding Elder, at the close of his term, shall prepare a report of his district, not to exceed one thousand words, for publication in the Minutes.

XI. The Stewards are authorized to take annually from the *pro rata* due the claimants from the Book Concern, a sum according to their discretion, not to exceed ten per cent of their indebtedness to the Book Concern, until it shall be paid in full.

XII. All reports of Committees and resolutions shall be handed to the Secretary in duplicate.

XIII. No one shall be admitted on trial in the Conference who is more than thirty-five years of age.

XIV. It shall require two-thirds of those present and voting to change or suspend any of these rules.

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PRESIDENT.

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CLASS-MEETINGS.—M. L. Cole, J. A. Taylor, W. D. McIntosh, E. M. Barringer, J. W. Webster, J. A. Hampton.

BIBLE CAUSE.—J. F. Harmon, L. C. Wilkin, M. H. Loar, G. W. Randle, C. E. Baker, Chas. Atchison.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE.—J. G. Tucker, T. F. Shouse, N. D. Sweeny, C. D. McCammon, L. W. Porter, O. F. Culver.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS.—C. L. York, J. E. Burk, W. D. Margrave, W. A. Cross, A. W. Van Houten, H. H. Young.

DEACONESS WORK.—G. W. Shepherd, J. W. Flint, J. L. Donovan, Jr., J. K. Hunter, W. T. Morris, H. H. Young.

RESOLUTIONS.—M. N. Powers, G. W. Scawthon, L. G. Cummins, Silas Green, J. H. McGriff, A. H. Pitkin.

TWENTIETH-CENTURY MOVEMENT.—C. Nash, C. D. Shumard, F. L. West, C. W. Sabine, J. G. Harmon, S. P. Young.

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President—J. W. Flint.

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John Leeper.	M. B. Baker.	B. A. Hoar.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

TO PREACH MISSIONARY SERMON—W. A. Cross; alternate, U. G. Johnston.

TRIERS OF APPEALS—U. G. Johnston, J. G. Harmon, C. W. Sabine, S. P. Groves, J. A. Taylor, Wm. Wallis, J. A. Hampton.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.—M. N. Powers, Chairman; J. F. Harmon, J. G. Harmon, J. W. McNeill, R. E. Pierce, J. B. Ravenscroft, Douglas Shouse, J. H. Ford, C. B. Besse, J. W. Jackson, John Leeper, G. W. Shepherd, G. A. Seed, C. D. Shumard, F. L. Thomson, W. A. Cross, J. W. Cummins, B. A. Hoar, J. D. Hennessey, C. W. Sabine, J. C. Kinison, Registrar.

BOARDS OF CHURCH LOCATION.

ALTON DISTRICT.—J. A. Hampton, G. W. Randle, E. Butler, J. N. English.

LEBANON DISTRICT.—M. L. Cole, J. B. Ravenscroft, J. Seaman, T. A. Wilson.

MOUNT CARMEL DISTRICT.—B. A. Hoar, R. E. Pierce, H. H. Crosier, T. H. Land.

MOUNT VERNON DISTRICT.—J. H. Ford, C. B. Besse, C. D. Campbell, B. E. Webster.

OLNEY DISTRICT.—C. A. Beckett, John Leeper, Ansel Gould, K. D. Horrall.

VANDALIA DISTRICT.—J. G. Tucker, A. H. Pitkin, J. J. Brown, T. S. Marshall.

TWENTIETH-CENTURY FUND COMMISSIONS.

ALTON DISTRICT.—G. W. Shepherd, C. O. Kimball, U. G. Johnston, T. A. Horine, E. A. Culver, J. W. Becker.

LEBANON DISTRICT.—J. W. Van Cleve, C. D. Shumard, L. W. Thrall, J. C. Eisenmayer, J. S. Bradford, R. W. Ropiequet.

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OLNEY DISTRICT.—John Leeper, S. P. Groves, Wm. Carson, E. Callahan, M. B. Woodworth, C. D. Kendall.

VANDALIA DISTRICT.—S. P. Young, A. H. Pitkin, J. G. Tucker, T. S. Marshall, P. M. Johnson, J. J. Brown.

CONFERENCE SECRETARY OF TWENTIETH-CENTURY FUND.—M. H. Chamberlin.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

TUESDAY, 8 P. M.—Anniversary of Conference Board of Church Extension; address by J. M. King, D. D.

WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M.—Anniversary of Conference Temperance Society; address by Horace Reed, D. D. 8 P. M.—Educational Meeting; addresses by W. F. McDowell, D. D., and Bishop J. N. FitzGerald.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.—Veteran's Hour; addresses by J. A. Robinson, E. J. Joy, R. W. Laughlin, M. L. King, C. D. Lingenfelter, V. D. Lingenfelter, and L. A. Harper. 8 P. M.—Anniversary of Missionary Society; address by Dr. A. B. Leonard.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.—Joint Meeting of Ministerial and Lay Electoral Conferences; addresses by Ethelbert Callahan, Bishop E. G. Andrews, T. S. Marshall, and J. W. Van Cleve. 4 P. M.—Missionary Sermon, by J. W. McNeill. 8 P. M.—Epworth League Rally; addresses by U. G. Johnston, C. D. Shumard, J. L. Donovan, Jr., G. E. McCammon, C. A. Beckett, and S. P. Young.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.—Meeting in interest of Deaconess Work; address by Miss Vernie Weaver. 3 P. M.—Anniversary of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; address by Mrs. R. L. McNabb. 8 P. M.—Anniversary of Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society; address by Dr. W. H. W. Rees.

SUNDAY, 9 A. M.—Conference Love-feast, conducted by John Leeper. 10.30 A. M.—Preaching by Bishop Edward G. Andrews. 2 P. M.—Ordination service. 3.30 P. M.—Memorial session.

Pentecostal services were conducted each day at 4 P. M., by Rev. John F. Harmon.

SUMMARY OF DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1.—Who have been received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?

Elijah B. Timmons, from Kentucky Conference; Claude C. Hall, from Kentucky Conference.

2.—Who have been Readmitted?

Samuel Albrecht, (located Central Illinois Conference, 1895.)

3.—Who have been received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

Benj. F. Ford, an elder from United Brethren Church; Chas. O. McMullen, an Elder of the Free Methodist Church; Benj. F. Sheffer, an Elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

4.—Who have been received on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.

Robert L. Nuckolls, Charles O. McMullen.

5.—Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year.

James E. Watson, Van C. White.

(b) In Studies of Second Year.

Edward M. Freeman, Jas. W. Turner, Wm. L. Rhein, Wm. M. Johnson, Edward O. Clark, Wilbur L. Decker, Robt. P. Carson, Samuel O. Kepley, Arthur B. Campbell, Geo. Greer, Robt. S. Young.

(c) In Studies of Third Year.

Claude S. Tritt, Geo. R. Goodman.

6.—Who have been Discontinued?

Martin C. Stonecipher.

7.—Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?

(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.

Irvin McMurray, Thos. P. Brannum, Jas. S. Hall, W. V. Kirkpatrick, Benj. F. Utley, A. A. Moore, John H. Davis, Robt. H. Carr, Jas. C. Gooch, Owen Wright, Josiah Abel.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.

Alexander G. Proctor, C. O. Morris, Jas. N. Eason, P. R. Keplinger, Benj. F. Ford.

8.—What Members are in Studies of Third Year?

(a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.

Samuel Albrecht, Irvin McMurray, Thomas P. Brannum, James S. Hall, W. V. Kirkpatrick, Benjamin F. Utley, Andrew A.

Moore, John H. Davis, Robert H. Carr, James C. Gooch, Owen Wright, Josiah Abel, Alex. G. Proctor, Charles O. Morris, Peter R. Keplinger.

(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
Henry L. Merrick.

9.—What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?
Stephen A. D. Rogers, Richard H. Crowder, John A. Westerman, Wm. L. Cunningham, John L. Donovan, Jr., Philip A. Smith, Lewis G. Cummins, Andrew C. Barton, Philip C. Carlin, Chas. H. Spragg, Chas. B. Whiteside.

10.—What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?

(a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.
Albert S. Maxey, Albert W. James, Jos. E. McCracken, Henry O. Hiser, Samuel S. Smith, Chas. D. McCammon.

(b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.
Jas. N. Eason.

11.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers. (Dis., Paragraph 165, Section 1.)
None.

(b) Under Missionary Rule. (Dis., Paragraph 165, Section 4.)
None.

12.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

(a) As Local Deacons. (Dis., Paragraph 168, Section 1.)
Nathaniel B. Hodsdon.

(b) Under Missionary Rule. (Dis., Paragraph 168, Section 4.)
None.

13.—Was the Character of each Preacher examined?
The case of D. A. Perrin was referred for investigation to the Presiding Elder of Vandalia District.

14.—Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?
Wm. Leatherman, to St. Louis Conference.

15.—Who have Died?
Chas. Mapes, Alfred Bliss, Wm. L. Burkett.

16.—Who have been Located at their own request?
None.

17.—Who have been Located?
None.

18.—Who have Withdrawn?
Daniel Orr.

19.—Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?
L. J. Grantham.

20.—Who have been Expelled?
None.

21.—What other personal Notation should be made?
None.

22.—Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?
J. P. Yüngling, C. W. Wynant, C. E. Baker, Adam Yingst, N. B. Cooksey, A. D. Cullom, G. M. Whitsell, Hiram Sears, L. E. Cole, W. W. Edwards, J. H. Bennett, D. A. Perrin, J. C. Orr, J. A. Leatherman, J. L. Wylder, J. G. Bonnell, M. N. Powers, John L. Donovan, Jr.

23.—Who are the Superannuated Preachers?
R. W. Laughlin, G. W. Waggoner, D. Oglesby, M. House, J. P. Dew, M. L. King, J. P. Rutherford, J. W. Nall, A. Ransom, John Weeden, J. W. Franklin, J. J. Boyer, L. A. Harper, T. A. Eaton, J. A. Thrapp, V. D. Lingenfelter, H. H. Keith, W. F. Davis, Wm. McMorrow, H. Manifold, Wm. Van Cleve, J. D. Gillham, Wm. Tilroe, C. W. Bonner, J. L. Wallar, John Reef, W. B. Bruner, L. S. Walker, J. L. Cunningham, J. M. Mulvaney, W. E. Ravenscroft, J. A. Robinson, E. Joy, J. H. McGriff, C. D. Lingenfelter, B. R. Pierce.

24.—Who are the Triers of Appeals?
U. G. Johnston, C. W. Sabine, J. A. Taylor, J. A. Hampton, J. G. Harmon, S. P. Groves, Wm. Wallis.

25.—What is the Statistical Report for this year?
(See Statistical Tables.)

26.—What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?
$16,856.

27.—What are the claims on the Conference Fund?
$5,640.27.

28.—What has been received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied? (See Stewards' Report.)

29.—Where are the Preachers stationed?
(See list of Appointments.)

30.—Where shall the next Conference be held?
Edwardsville, Ills.

LIST OF APPOINTMENTS.

ALTON DISTRICT.

3. F. M. Van Treese, Presiding Elder, Lebanon, Ill.

1 Alton: First Church, G. W. Shepherd, E
4 Alton: Washington Street, Josiah Abel, D
1 Bethalto.....G. W. Randle, E
2 Brighton...U. G. Johnston, E
1 Bunker Hill, H. H. Young, E
2 Coffeen .....T. F. Shouse, E
1 Donnellson....J. C. Gooch, D
2 Edwardsville, C. O. Kimball, E
1 Elsah .....E. L. Carson, E
2 Fieldon.....H. B. Pollock, S
2 Gillespie.....Gye Park, E
2 Godfrey and Piasa, J. W. Tennyson, E
1 Grafton.....A. C. Barton, D
2 Granite City....C. L. York, E
1 Jerseyville, Calloway Nash, E
1 Kane.....J. N. Eason, E
3 Litchfield.....J. H. Jones, E
1 Litchfield Circuit, J. A. Greening, S
1 Medora...Edmond Barnes, E
1 New Douglass, Samuel Albrecht, D
1 Plainview..E. M. Freeman, P
3 Ramsey.....G. M. Webber, E
3 Shipman ...J. A. Hampton, E
3 Staunton ...W. R. Bradley, E
2 Upper Alton...J. A. Large, E
1 Venice .....R. P. Carson, P

LEBANON DISTRICT.

4. R. D. Woodley, Presiding Elder, Lebanon, Ill.

2 Ashley...G. W. Scawthon, E
2 Beaucoup....J. T. Murken, E
3 Beaver Creek, D. T. Harris, E
1 Belleville ..C. D. Shumard, E
3 Carlyle .....M. L. Cole, E
1 Collinsville ...W. A. Cross, E
1 Coulterville and Tilden, Z. J. Farmer, E
2 E. St. Louis: Bond Ave., J. M. Adams, E
3 Summit Ave., J. W. Van Cleve, E
1 Freeburg.....V. W. Thrall, S
1 Greenville, J. B. Ravenscroft, E
2 Hagerstown..S. O. Kepley, P
1 Huey .....M. H. Loar, E
1 Lebanon.....L. W. Thrall, E
3 Marissa .....A. S. Maxey, E
2 Mulberry Grove, W. L. Jones, E
1 Nashville....J. G. Harmon, E
1 O'Fallon, Greenlee Calvert, E
1 Okawville.....J. W. Borah, E
2 Pocahontas .... J. E. Burk, E
1 Richview.....A. J. Bruner, E
1 Shiloh .....N. B. Hodsdon, S
2 Sparta .....G. A. Seed, E
2 Summerfield, T. H. Herdman, E
2 Tamalco...W. M. Elligood, S
3 Trenton. .....N D. Sweeny, E
2 Troy.....C. S. McCollom, E
1 Waterloo.....George Greer, P

Lemuel Cramp, manager of Protestant Hospital, East St. Louis, member of Summit Avenue Quarterly Conference; W. C. Walton, Professor in McKendree College, member of Lebanon Quarterly Conference.

MT. CARMEL DISTRICT.

1 J. Y. Reid, Presiding Elder, Carmi, Ill.

1 Belmont.....Theo. Cates, E
5 Big Prairie...R. E. Pierce, E
2 Brooklyn, S. O. Sheridan, S
2 Carmi .....J. A. Taylor, E
Carrier Mills..To be supplied
1 Crossville,
W. D. Margraves, E
3 Dahlgren ..J. W. Deweese, E
Eddyville.....To be supplied
1 Eldorado.....W. H. Neil, E
1 Elizabethtown, P. A. Smith, D
3 Enfield .... J. S. Cummins, E
2 Equality .....B. S. Smith, E
1 Galatia.....J. B. Cummins, E
1 Golconda.....O. F. Culver, E
2 Grayville .....B. A. Hoar, E
2 Harrisburg, L.G. Cummins, D
2 Keensburg .. B. F. Sheffer, E
1 McLeansboro,
J. W. Jackson, E
2 McLeansboro Circuit
J. R. Campbell, S
3 Maunie.....C. H. Spragg, D
1 Metropolis...W. T. Morris, E
1 Mill Shoals, J. T. Huffman, E
3 Mt. Carmel....F. L. West, E
1 New Burnsides,
E. B. Timmons, E
2 Norris City..W. J. Hopper, E
Omaha.....To be supplied
1 Ridgway....A. G. Proctor, D
3 Shawneetown,
C. B. Whitesides, E

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.

3 Nathaniel Crow, Presiding Elder, Carbondale, Ill.

2 Anna.....Lawrence Smith, E
2 Belknap, J. E. McCracken, E
1 Benton.....T. O. Holley, E
1 Bloomfield, A. B. Campbell, P
3 Cairo .....J. A. Scarritt, E
5 Carbondale....C. B. Besse, E
2 Carterville, J. D. Shaddrick, S
3 Chester and Palestine,
Ressho Robertson, E
1 Corinth.....S. S. Smith, E
1 Crab Orchard ..C. C. Hall, E
1 Du Quoin...C. W. Caseley, E
2 Elco.....J. K. Hunter, E
2 Frankfort.....P. H. Hearn, S
2 Jonesboro .....Silas Green, E
2 Marion .....J. H. Ford, E
1 Makanda.....B. F. Ford, E
1 Mound City,
S. A. D. Rogers, D
3 Mt. Vernon: First Church,
J. F. Harmon, E
3 Union Street,
C. D. McCammon, E
4 Circuit.....J. C. Kinison, E
2 Murphysboro, C.W. Sabine, E
1 Opydyke,
W. V. Kirkpatrick, D
1 Pinckneyville,
J. D. Hennessey, E
1 Spring Garden, J. H. Davis, S
3 Steeleville, W. D. McIntosh, E
1 Tamaroa .... G. E. Groves, E
1 Thebes.....B. F. Utley, D
3 Vergennes ....J. H. Davis, D
2 Vienna.....A. J. Littell, E
3 Villa Ridge,
T. P. Brannum, D
1 Waltonville,
Chas. Atchison, E

O. H. Clark, Chaplain in Southern Illinois Penitentiary, member of Chester Quarterly Conference.

OLNEY DISTRICT.

1 F. W. Loy, Presiding Elder, Olney, Ill.

2 Albion Circuit,
E. M. Barringer, E
3 Albion.....W. H. Pool, E
1 Allendale ....A. W. James, E
3 Bone Gap, S. A. McIntosh, E
2 Bridgeport...D. W. Baker, E
2 Calhoun .....H. O. Hiser, E
1 Claremont,
Albert Vandaveer, E
2 Clay City, L. W. Porter, E
2 Duncanville,
Irvin McMurray, D
1 Fairfield.....J. G. Dee, E
1 Flat Rock...P. C. Carlin, D
3 Flora.....F. L. Thomson, E
2 Hutsonville,
Willard Kiesling, E
2 Jeffersonville.C. O. Morris, D
2 Lawrenceville.John Leeper, E
2 Mount Erie....R. H. Carr, D
2 Newton.....Wm. Carson, E
1 Noble.....L. C. Wilkin, E
1 Oblong.....S. E. Turner, E
1 Olney.....J. W. Cummins, E
4 Robinson....C. A. Beckett, E
2 Rose Hill..Nelson Stauffer, E
2 Sumner.....S. P. Groves, E
2 Sumner Circuit.
J. A. Westerman, D
2 West Liberty..W. G. Hale, E
3 West Salem.W. M. Johnson, P
3 Wheeler.....C. S. Tritt, P
2 Willow Hill,
J. W. Edmondson, S

VANDALIA DISTRICT.

1 J. W. Flint, Presiding Elder, Salem, Ill.

2 Alma.....D. J. Little, E
2 Altamont.....A. H. Pitkin, E
1 Avena.....W. L. Rhein, P
Beecher City...To be supplied.
1 Brownstown..V. C. White, P
1 Central City,
G. R. Goodman, P
1 Centralia....J. W. McNeill, E
1 Cisne.....Owen Wright, D
1 Effingham.....Wm. Wallis, E
1 Farina.....Albert Harris, E
1 Ingraham...C. H. Gerking, S
2 Irvington....W. L. Decker, P
1 Iuka.....J. K. Wiley, S
1 Johnsonville,
C. O. McMullin, P
2 Kinmundy....M. B. Baker, E
1 Louisville, Andrew Dewhirst, E
3 Mason.....J W. Webster, E
1 Moccasin..R. H. Crowder, D
1 Montrose.....E. O. Clark, P
1 Odin.....J. E. Nickerson, E
1 Patoka.....Wm. Powis, E
1 Saylor Springs,
G. N. Wilkerson, E
2 St. Elmo..Douglas Shouse, E
5 Salem.....S. P. Young, E
1 Sandoval....J. W. Dundas, E
3 Shobonier....A. A. Moore, D
3 Vandalia.....J. G. Tucker, E
1 Walnut Hill.....J. S. Hall, D
1 Watson,
W. L. Cunningham, D
3 Wayne City...H. T. Eaton, S
2 Xenia....Albert Vandaveer, E

Left without appointment to attend some one of our schools: J. E. Watson, J. W. Turner, and R. L. Nuckolls, members of Lebanon Quarterly Conference; R. S. Young, member of Salem Quarterly Conference; H. L. Merrick, member of Willow Hill Quarterly Conference; P. R. Keplinger, member of Effingham Quarterly Conference; G. E. McCammon, member of Mound City Quarterly Conference.

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FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, September 27, 1899.

THE Southern Illinois Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met for its Forty-eighth session in Beauchamp Chapel, Mt. Carmel, Ill., at 8.30 A. M., Wednesday, September 27, 1899.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Bishop Edward G. Andrews.

J. W. Van Cleve was elected Secretary, and nominated as his assistants F. L. West, C. O. Kimball, and S. P. Young, who were elected.

Dr. Geo. P. Mains, Publishing Agent at New York; Dr. J. M. King, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension; Mr. S. H. Pye, Manager of the Book Depository at St. Louis; and Dr. F. L. Hart, Agent of the Church Insurance Company, were introduced, and addressed the Conference.

C. C. Hall, transferred from the Kentucky Conference, was introduced.

The Secretary called the Conference Roll, and the following answered to their names:

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE.—J. M. Adams, C. Atchison, C. E. Baker, D. W. Baker, M. B. Baker, E. M. Barringer, E, Barnes, A. C. Barton, C. A. Beckett, J. H. Bennett, C. B. Besse, J. W. Borah, W. R. Bradley, A. J. Bruner, J. E. Burk, G. Calvert, P. C. Carlin, E. L. Carson, Wm. Carson, C. W. Caseley, Theo. Cates, O. H. Clark, M. L. Cole, N. B. Cooksey, L. Cramp, W. A. Cross, R. H. Crowder, N. Crow, O. F. Culver, J. B. Cummins, J. S. Cummins, J. W. Cummins, L. G. Cummins, W. L. Cunningham, J. G. Dee, J. W. Deweese, A. J. Dewhirst, J. L. Donovan, Jr., J. W. Dundas, Z. J. Farmer, J. W. Flint, J. H. Ford, J. D.

Gillham, S. Green, G. E. Groves, S. P. Groves, W. G. Hale, J. A. Hampton, J. F. Harmon, J. G. Harmon, L. A. Harper, A. Harris, D. T. Harris, J. D. Hennessey, T. H. Herdman, H. O. Hiser, B. A. Hoar, T. O. Holley, W. J. Hopper, J. T. Huffman, J. K. Hunter, J. W. Jackson, A. W. James, U. G. Johnston, J. H. Jones, W. L. Jones, E. Joy, W. Keisling, C. O. Kimball, M. L. King, J. C. Kinison, J. A. Large, J. Leeper, C. D. Lingenfelter, A. J. Littell, D. J. Little, M. H. Loar, F. W. Loy, W. D. Margraves, A. S. Maxey, C. D. McCammon, G. E. McCammon, J. E. McCracken, J. H. McGriff, S. A. McIntosh, W. D. McIntosh, J. W. McNeil, W. T. Morris, J. M. Mulvaney, J. T. Murken, C. Nash, W. H. Neil, J. E. Nickerson, J. C. Orr, Gye Park, B. R. Pierce, R. E. Pierce, A. H. Pitkin, W. H. Pool, L. W. Porter, M. N. Powers, Wm. Powis, G. W. Randle, J. B. Ravenscroft, J. R. Reef, J. Y. Reid, R. Robertson, J. A. Robinson, S. A. D. Rogers, C. W. Sabine, J. A. Scarritt, G. W. Scawthon, G. A. Seed, G. W. Shepherd, D. Shouse, T. F. Shouse, C. D. Shumard, B. S. Smith, P. A. Smith, S. S. Smith, C. H. Spragg, N. Stauffer, N. D. Sweeny, J. A. Taylor, J. W. Tennyson, F. L. Thomson, J. G. Tucker, S. E. Turner, J. W. Van Cleve, A. Vandaveer, A. W. Van Houten, F. M. Van Treese, Wm. Wallis, J. W. Webster, G. M. Webber, F. L. West, J. A. Westerman, C. B. Whitesides, G. N. Wilkerson, L. C. Wilkin, R. D. Woodley, C. L. York, H. H. Young, S. P. Young.

PROBATIONERS IN CONFERENCE.—Josiah Abel, T. P. Brannum, A. B. Campbell, R. H. Carr, R. P. Carson, J. H. Davis, W. L. Decker, J. N. Eason, E. M. Freeman, J. C. Gooch, G. R. Goodman, J. S. Hall, Wm. M. Johnson, S. O. Kepley, P. R. Keplinger, W. V. Kirkpatrick, Irvin McMurray, A. A. Moore, C. O. Morris, A. G. Proctor, Wm. L. Rhein, C. S. Tritt, B. F. Utley.

J. Y. Reid was elected Statistical Secretary, and chose for his assistants W. A. Cross, W. L. Cunningham, C. D. Shumard, A. W. James, G. W. Randle, and J. S. Cummins.

J. G. Tucker was elected Treasurer, and named as his assistants H. O. Hiser, J. W. Borah, C. B. Whitesides, J. A. Large, W. L. Jones, and S. A. D. Rogers.

The List of Standing Committees, as nominated by the Presiding Elders, was approved. (See list of Standing Committees.)

A memorial from the Lebanon District, relating to the Twentieth-century Movement, was referred to a

Committee consisting of C. Nash, C. D. Shumard, F. L. West, C. W. Sabine, J. G. Harmon, and S. P. Young.

The Trustees of the Conference were instructed to collect the necessary funds, and to take steps to incorporate the Conference.

The time for opening was fixed at 8.30 A. M., and that for closing at 11.45 A. M.

The bar of the Conference was fixed at the rear of the third window from the pulpit.

The rules of the previous session were adopted.

The program prepared by the Committee on Public Worship was amended and approved.

Various communications were referred to the appropriate Committees.

A draft was ordered on the Chartered Fund for $22, and one on the Book Concern for $627.

The call for statistics was made by districts.

Dr. Horace Reed, of the Illinois Conference; Dr. W. F. McDowell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education; and Dr. Henderson, Agent of the American Bible Society, were introduced, and addressed the Conference.

J. A. Scarritt was appointed to bear to the Lay Electoral Conference the communications of Drs. Mains and Jennings relative to the support of the Bishops, and the General Conference expenses.

After announcements, Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Andrews.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, September 28, 1899.

AFTER the usual opening devotional exercises, which were conducted by J. A. Hampton, the minutes of the session of the previous day were read and approved.

Bishop J. N. FitzGerald was introduced to the Conference.

Question XIII—Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?—was taken up. The following Presiding Elders, after their characters were passed, reported their districts: F. M. Van Treese, R. D. Woodley, J. G. Dee, N. Crow, Wm. Wallis, and L. W. Thrall.

The characters of the following effective elders were passed, and they reported their collections: M. N. Powers, S. E. Turner, U. G. Johnston, J. P. Yungling, T. F. Shouse, E. L. Carson, C. O. Kimball, E. Barnes, Gye Park, J. W. Tennyson, G. W. Randle, C. L. York, G. W. Shepherd, J. E. Nickerson, J. H. Jones, B. R. Pierce, G. M. Webber, J. A. Hampton, W. R. Bradley, J. A. Large, G. W. Scawthon, J. T. Murken, D. T. Harris, J. W. Flint, M. L. Cole, J. D. Hennessey, W. H. Neil, J. M. Adams, J. W. Van Cleve, C. D. Shumard, A. Yingst, F. W. Loy, W. L. Jones, C. W. Caseley, J. B. Cummins, J. E. Burk, Z. J. Farmer, J. W. Dundas, G. A. Seed, T. H. Herdman, N. D. Sweeny, C. S. McCollom, L. Cramp, W. C. Walton, W. D. Margraves, R. E. Pierce, J. A. Taylor, A. J. Bruner, J. W. Deweese, Chas. Atchison, G. Calvert, J. S. Cummins, B. S. Smith, Theo. Cates, B. A. Hoar, C. W. Wynant, J. W. Cummins, J. W. Jackson, F. L. West, W. J. Hopper, J. T. Huffman, O. F. Culver, Lawrence Smith, J. A. Scarritt, C. B. Besse, Ressho Robertson, T. O. Holley, J. Y. Reid, J. K. Hunter, Silas Green, J. H. Ford, G. E. McCammon, J. F. Harmon, J. C. Kinison, C. W. Sabine, G. E. Groves, W. A. Cross, W. D. McIntosh, A. J. Littell, O. H. Clark, W. H. Pool, E. M. Barringer, S. A. McIntosh, D. W. Baker, Andrew Dewhirst, L. W. Porter, W. T. Morris, L. C. Wilkin, F. L. Thomson, Willard Kiesling, John Leeper, Wm. Carson, A. W. Van Houten, J. G. Harmon, C. A. Beckett, S. P. Groves, W. G. Hale, J. G. Bonnell,

D. J. Little, A. H. Pitkin, G. N. Wilkerson, J. B. Ravenscroft, J. W. McNeill, H. H. Young, M. B. Baker, Albert Harris, J. W. Webster, J. W. Borah, Wm. Powis, D. Shouse, S. P. Young, J. G. Tucker, M. H. Loar, and Albert Vandaveer.

C. W. Wynant, J. P. Yungling, C. E. Baker, and Adam Yingst were granted the supernumerary relation.

Dr. A. B. Leonard, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society; J. M. Hartley, a Sunday-school Missionary; J. L. McGiffen, of the Free Methodist Church; J. M. Greening, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; J. J. Boyer and L. R. Rader, of the Evangelical Church; and J. C. Starkey, of the Young Men's Christian Association, were introduced.

W. H. Neil was excused from further attendance upon this session of the Conference.

L. J. Grantham was entered as withdrawn from the Church under charges.

The transfer of Elijah B. Timmons, from the Kentucky Conference, was announced, and he was introduced.

Dr. A. B. Leonard addressed the Conference.

A Committee on the Domestic Missionary Society was appointed, as follows: John Leeper, J. W. Flint, J. B. Ravenscroft, T. H. Herdman, and W. T. Morris.

Question XXII—Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?—was taken up, and the characters of the following were passed, and they were continued in this relation: N. B. Cooksey, A. D. Cullom, G. M. Whitzel, Hiram Sears, L. E. Cole, W. W. Edwards, J. H. Bennett, J. A. Leatherman, and J. L. Wylder.

The cases of D. A. Perrin and J. C. Orr were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The relation of N. Stauffer was changed from supernumerary to effective.

The name of Daniel Orr was entered as withdrawn from the ministry.

Question XXIII—Who are the Superannuated Preachers?—was taken up. The characters of the following were passed, and they were continued in the superannuated relation: R. W. Laughlin, G. W. Waggoner, D. Oglesby, Micajah House, J. P. Dew, M. L. King, J. P. Rutherford, J. W. Nall, A. Ransom, John Weeden, J. W. Franklin, J. J. Boyer, L. A. Harper, T. A. Eaton, J. A. Thrapp, V. D. Lingenfelter, H. H. Keith, W. F. Davis, Wm. McMorrow, Henry Manifold, Wm. Van Cleve, J. D. Gillham, Wm. Tilroe, C. W. Bonner, J. L. Wallar, John Reef, W. B. Bruner, L. S. Walker, J. L. Cunningham, J. M. Mulvaney, W. E. Ravenscrott, J. A. Robinson, Ephraim Joy, J. H. McGriff, and C. D. Lingenfelter.

M. H. Loar was elected to take the place of J. W. Borah as one of the Treasurer's assistants.

After announcements, Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. A. B. Leonard.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, September 29, 1899.

THE devotional exercises were conducted by B. R. Pierce, after which the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Question V—Who have been Continued on Trial?—was taken up, and after proper reports and due representation, the following were continued on trial and advanced to Studies of the Second Year: Edward M. Freeman, Wm. L. Rhein, Edward O. Clark, Wilbur L. Decker, Wm. M. Johnson, Robt. P. Carson, Samuel O. Kepley, Arthur B. Campbell, and Geo. Greer. Robt. S. Young and Jas. W. Turner were continued on trial in Studies of the Second Year. Jas. E. Watson and Van C.

White were continued on trial in Studies of the First Year.

Question VII—Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?—was taken up, and on due representation and report of the Examiners and of the Committee on Conference Relations, the following were admitted into full connection and elected to deacons' orders: Irvin McMurray, Thos. P. Brannum, Jas. S. Hall, Wallace V. Kirkpatrick, Benj. F. Utley, Andrew A. Moore, John H. Davis, Robt. H. Carr, Jas. C. Gooch, Owen Wright, and Josiah Abel. The following deacons were admitted into full connection: Alex. Proctor, Chas. O. Morris, Jas. N. Eason, and Peter R. Keplinger. Claude S. Tritt and George R. Goodman were continued on trial, and advanced to the Class of the Third Year. Martin C. Stonecipher was discontinued.

U. G. Johnston was elected Railroad Secretary.

The Conference proceeded to ballot for delegates to the General Conference.

Dr. A. B. Leonard, of the Missionary Society, and Dr. J. B. Young, of the *Central Christian Advocate*, addressed the Conference.

The Statistical Secretary presented his report, which was accepted.

Question IX—What Members are in Studies of the Fourth Year?—was taken up, and, on passage of their characters, report of Examiners, and representation by Presiding Elders, the following were advanced to Studies of the Fourth Year: S. A. D. Rogers, R. H. Crowder, John A. Westerman, Wm. L. Cunningham, John L. Donovan, Jr., Philip A. Smith, Lewis G. Cummins, Philip C. Carlin, and Chas. H. Spragg. Andrew C. Barton was advanced on condition that he bring up studies in which he was deficient, and Henry L. Merrick was continued in the Class of the Third Year.

The Committee on Conference Relations recommended that the case of D. A. Perrin be referred to the Presiding Elder of the Vandalia District, which was done.

The Tellers reported the first ballot for delegates to General Conference. Whole number of votes cast, 156. J. W. Van Cleve received 131, and J. F. Harmon 82, and they were declared elected.

The Conference adjourned to meet at 1.30 P. M., to take further ballots.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference assembled, pursuant to adjournment, at 1.30 P. M., and was opened with prayer by O. H. Clark.

The second ballot for General Conference delegates was taken.

O. H. Clark, J. B. Ravenscroft, and J. W. Jackson were appointed to invite and escort the Lay Electoral Conference to the Conference room.

An additional draft for $353 on the Book Concern was ordered.

The relation of Calloway Nash was changed from superannuated to effective.

M. N. Powers and J. L. Donovan were granted the supernumerary relation.

Question X—What Members have Completed the Course of Study?—was taken up, and after reporting their collections, report of Examiners, and representation by Presiding Elders, Albert S. Maxey, Albert W. James, Jos. E. McCracken, Henry O. Hiser, Samuel S. Smith, and Chas. D. McCammon were entered as having completed the Course of Study, and elected to elders' orders. Chas. B. Whitesides was continued in the Class of the Fourth Year.

The Tellers reported the second ballot for delegates to General Conference. Whole number of votes cast, 147; necessary to a choice, 75. No one having received a majority, a third ballot was taken.

Question XII was called, and Nathaniel B. Hodsdon was elected to elder's orders as a local deacon.

O. H. Clark presented the members of the Lay Electoral Conference, and the Conference joined in singing, "Blest be the tie that binds." Ethelbert Callahan, of Robinson, addressed the Conference in behalf of the Laymen, and Bishop Andrews responded in behalf of the Conference. T. S. Marshall and J. W. Van Cleve, leaders respectively of the lay and ministerial delegations, addressed the meeting.

The third ballot for General Conference delegates was announced. Whole number of votes cast, 139, of which L. W. Thrall received 73, and was declared elected. After taking the fourth ballot, Conference adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, September 30, 1899.

THE opening prayer was offered by T. H. Herdman.

The journal of the preceding day was read and approved.

The fourth ballot for General Conference delegates was announced by the Tellers. Number of votes cast, 136; necessary to a choice, 69. F. M. Van Treese received 71, and was declared elected. A ballot was taken for reserve delegates.

J. H. Walterick, pastor of the Lutheran Church in the city, and E. S. Shoemaker, of the Northwest Indiana Conference, and Rev. Eugene May, of Washington, D. C., were introduced.

The Stewards presented their report, which was adopted. (See Report.)

The Tellers reported the ballot for reserve delegates. Votes cast, 109; necessary to a choice, 55. J. W. Flint received 56, and was declared elected. A second ballot for reserve delegates was cast.

The reports of the following Committees were presented and adopted: Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education, Resolutions, Education, Domestic Missions, and Bible Cause.

The second ballot for reserve delegates was reported. No one having received a majority of votes, a third ballot was taken.

B. R. Pierce requested a superannuated relation, and the request was granted.

The Conference requested the appointment of L. Cramp as Manager of the Protestant Hospital in East St. Louis, and that J. E. Watson, J. W. Turner, R. S. Young, H. L. Merrick, Peter Keplinger, and G. E. McCammon be left without appointment, to attend one of our schools.

Educational funds remaining in the hands of the Treasurer of the Conference were ordered paid to the Custodian of the Conference Board of Education.

The third ballot for reserve delegates was announced. Votes cast, 135; necessary to a choice, 68. Wm. Wallis received 68, and was declared elected.

A collection amounting to $21.76 was taken for Conference expenses.

The plan of the previous year relative to the payment for the publication of the Minutes was adopted for this year.

The Conference authorized the transfer of the proceeds of the sale of the Ridgely Church on the Bethalto Circuit to the Parsonage Trustees of that charge.

The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of the resolution relating to the seating of Congressman-elect Roberts to each member of Congress from Southern Illinois.

The Stewards proceeded to distribute the amounts allotted to the several claimants by their report.

Hon. M. H. Chamberlin, President of McKendree College, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The program was changed so as to permit an afternoon session from 1.30 to 2.30, after which Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Andrews.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

PURSUANT to adjournment, Conference met at 1.30, and was opened with prayer by J. A. Scarritt.

Reports from the following Committees were presented and adopted: On Periodicals, Sabbath Observance, Woman's Home Missionary Society, District Conference Journals, Class-meetings, Twentieth-century Movement, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Deaconess Work, Sunday-schools and Tracts, Church Extension, and Temperance.

The Secretary was instructed to send to President McKinley that part of the resolutions relating to him.

The Presiding Elders were requested to nominate a Conference Secretary of the Twentieth-century Movement, and the Commissions for their respective districts.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Andrews.

FIFTH DAY.

SUNDAY, October 1, 1899.

THE Conference met for the ordination service at two P. M., and was opened with prayer by Bishop Andrews. The Secretary of the Conference presented those who

had been elected to deacons' orders, and then those who had been elected to elders' orders, and they were all ordained, as set forth in the following

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This certifies, *That in Mt. Carmel, Ill., on Sunday, October 1, 1899, Josiah Abel, Irvin McMurray, Thomas P. Brannum, James S. Hall, Wallace V. Kirkpatrick, Benjamin F. Utley, Andrew A. Moore, John H. Davis, Robert H. Carr, James C. Gooch, and Owen Wright were ordained* DEACONS *by the undersigned; and Albert S. Maxey, Albert W. James, Joseph E. McCracken, Henry O. Hiser, Samuel S. Smith, Charles D. McCammon, and Nathaniel B. Hodsdon were ordained as* ELDERS *by the undersigned, assisted by several Elders.*

MT. CARMEL, ILL., October 2, 1899.

MEMORIAL SESSION.

THE Conference then proceeded to hold its Annual Memorial Session, C. A. Beckett presiding.

The Committee on Memoirs presented its report, memoirs being read as follows: of Rev. Alfred Bliss, by C. O. Kimball; of Rev. Charles Mapes, by F. W. Loy; of Rev. W. L. Burkett, by L. W. Thrall; Of Mrs. Elizabeth H. Pierce, by John Leeper; of Mrs. Mary H. Sears, by T. H. Herdman; of Mrs. Edith Flint Thrall, by S. P. Young; of Mrs. Catharine Stafford King, by John Leeper; of Mrs. Nancy Johnson Yingst, by M. L. Cole; of Mrs. Ella L. Clucas McCammon, by F. L. West; of Mrs. Mattie Boyd Hale, by C. A. Beckett. After appropriate remarks by a number of members of the Conference, the report of the Committee was adopted, and Conference adjourned.

SIXTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 2, 1899.

CONFERENCE met at eight o'clock A. M., and was opened with prayer by J. W. Jackson.

The journal of Saturday was read and approved.

The relation of Wm. Leatherman was changed from supernumerary to effective, and he was announced as transferred to the St. Louis Conference.

J. C. Orr was continued in the supernumerary relation.

The relation of J. G. Bonnell was changed from effective to supernumerary.

Question IV—Who are Received on Trial?—was called, and Robert L. Nuckolls was admitted on trial, and the Conference requested that he be left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

Question II—Who are Readmitted?—was taken up. Samuel Albrecht presented his certificate of location, and was readmitted and placed in Studies of the Third Year.

Question III—Who are Received on Credentials from Other Churches?—was called. B. F. Ford, an elder in the United Brethren Church, and Charles O. McMullen, an elder in the Free Methodist Church, were received and placed in Studies of the First Year. Benjamin F. Sheffer, an elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was received and excused from the Course of Study.

Nominations of Triers of Appeals, of District Boards of Church Location, of Secretary and Treasurer of the Twentieth-century Fund, and of Twentieth-century Commission for the Districts, were presented by the Presiding Elders and confirmed by the Conference.

Accounts of Wm. Wallis with Domestic Missionary Fund were reported, audited, and found correct.

The report of the Custodian of the Conference Educational Fund was received, showing cash on hand to the amount of $689.97.

The Committee on Epworth League presented its report, which was adopted.

F. L. West was elected publisher of the Minutes for next year.

An unclaimed balance in the hands of the Treasurer was ordered held by him.

On motion of R. D. Woodley, it was decided that after the reading of the Appointments, the Conference stand adjourned.

The Conference was led in prayer by Bishop Andrews; then the Bishop, after a few appropriate remarks, read the Appointments, and the Conference adjourned with the benediction pronounced by Bishop Andrews.

EDWARD G. ANDREWS, PRESIDING BISHOP.

J. W. VAN CLEVE, SECRETARY.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

THE Lay Electoral Conference of the Southern Illinois Conference met in the Presbyterian Church in Mt. Carmel, Ill., Friday, September 29, 1899, at 9.30 A. M.

The Conference was called to order by C. Rohrbough, who conducted devotional exercises.

Thos. A. Wilson, of Lebanon, was elected Chairman, and Edward A. Culver, of Kane, was elected Secretary.

T. A. Fritchey, J. G. Tart, and R. W. Ropiequet were appointed a Committee on Credentials, and reported that seventy-eight delegates were present.

Fritchey, Givin, Callahan, and Baugh were chosen Tellers, and the Conference proceeded to elect two Delegates, two Provisional Delegates, and an equal number of Reserve and Provisional Reserve Delegates to the General Conference.

The balloting resulted in the election of Thomas S. Marshall, of Salem, Ill., and McKendree H. Chamberlin, of Lebanon, Ill., as Delegates; of John M. Mitchell, of Mt. Carmel, Ill., and Presley M. Johnson, of St. Elmo, Ill., as Provisional Delegates; of Ethelbert Callahan, of Robinson, Ill., and Calendar Rohrbough, of Kinmundy, Ill., as Reserve Delegates, and of David A. Watts, of Lebanon, Ill., and Cyrus D. Kendall, of Newton, Ill., as Provisional Reserve Delegates.

The Committee on Resolutions, consisting of R. W. Ropiequet, E. P. McFarland, and Mrs. W. C. Hadley, presented their report, which was adopted.

Rev. J. A. Scarritt was introduced, and presented a communication from the Annual Conference in regard to the Episcopal Fund and General Conference Expenses. The communication was received, and, on motion, the laymen present resolved to aid the pastors in their efforts to meet these claims.

R. W. Ropiequet, C. Rohrbough, and Robert Gray were appointed a Committee to wait on the Annual Conference and ascertain its pleasure.

The Lay Delegates-elect were introduced.

The presence of a Committee from the Annual Conference was announced, and the Lay Electoral Conference adjourned *sine die*.

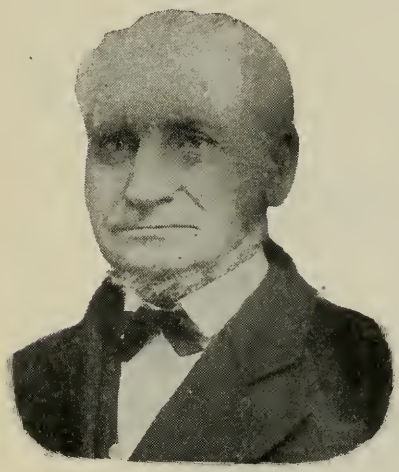
THOS. A. WILSON, PRESIDENT.

E. A. CULVER, SECRETARY.

Memoirs.

REV. ALFRED BLISS.

Rev. Alfred Bliss died in Effingham, Ills., February 8, 1899, aged eighty-seven years, eight months, and ten days. He was born at Fairlee, in the northeastern part of Vermont. His parents were Puritans of the strictest sect, who had emigrated from Connecticut to the Green Mountain State when it was yet a wilderness.



REV. ALFRED BLISS.

On March 4, 1834, Father Bliss was married to Direxia H. Knowles, with whom he lived and labored for nearly sixty years. When she died in Effingham, January 23, 1894, Father Bliss realized that his heart and hearthstone were left desolate, and he patiently waited for the messenger that should put into his hands "the golden key that opens the palace of eternity."

To Mr. and Mrs. Bliss were born eight children, four of whom survive—Mrs. Eliza A. Moody, of Fillmore, Ills.; George Bliss, of Nokomis, Ills.; Chas. W. Bliss, of Hillsboro, Ills., and Mrs. Nellie B. White, of Effingham, Ills.

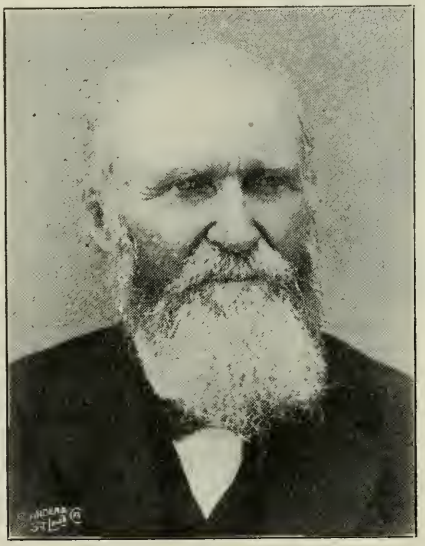
In the summer of 1838, Mr. Bliss, with a small colony of Vermont and New Hampshire people, emigrated to what was then the "far West," and settled in the east part of Montgomery County, Illinois. The country in which they settled was mostly an unbroken wilderness, but the little colony soon built comfortable houses, established private schools, not forgetting a commodious and substantial house of worship, one of the first Methodist Churches in Central Illinois.

In the early fifties, Mr. Bliss was licensed to preach, and in 1854 he was admitted on trial in the Southern Illinois Conference.

His first labors were on what was known as the Louisville Circuit. This circuit embraced nearly the whole of Clay County, and there was no parsonage, and not a single church on the circuit. He served the Church as pastor of Salem, Central City, Gillespie, Brighton, Piasa, Elsah, Troy, Venice, Carlyle, Altamont, and Donnellson, and as Financial Agent of the Female College at Salem. In 1881, he was superannuated, and removed to Effingham, where he resided until his death.

REV. CHARLES MAPES.

Rev. Charles Mapes was born June 15, 1817, in Butler County, Ohio. His father's house was a regular preaching place on the circuit. His schooling was in a little log school-house, with a large fireplace, and greased paper for glass in the windows. In



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November, 1837, at Rising Sun, Ind., after seeking the Lord for weeks, he found him, to the joy of his heart. That night he went among his companions, and persuaded thirteen young men to go to the altar. Soon after his conversion, he was appointed class-leader, and the following year was licensed to exhort. In 1841, he was received on trial in the Indiana Conference, and sent to

Corydon Circuit as assistant preacher. There were twenty-three appointments on the circuit. His appointments were: 1841, Salem Circuit; 1843, Carlyle Circuit; 1844, Milan Circuit; 1845-47, located; 1848, Palestine Circuit; 1849, Milford Circuit. In 1850, owing to impaired health, he located and moved on a farm, supplying Lockland Circuit. In 1853, he supplied Guilford, Ind.; in 1857, Dillsborough Circuit, and in 1859, Westport Circuit. Moving to Illinois, he was admitted to the Southern Illinois Conference in 1862, and appointed to Effingham Circuit; in 1864-65, Central City Circuit; 1866-67, Howards Point; and in 1868, Patoka. Sickness caused him again to take a location in 1869. Moving to Moores Hill, Ind., he remained until 1876, when he moved to Kansas, living in Emporia, Cottonwood Falls, and Kingman with his son, Franklin, and at Florence with his daughter, Mrs. John Shaw; also visiting his step-daughter, Mrs. Horace Reed, of Danville, Ills. His last days were spent at Henderson, Ky., with his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Johnston.

He was married in 1850, and lived happily with his devoted wife until her death in 1892, in Florence, Kansas. Brother Mapes had a kind, genial, sympathetic disposition. He was thoughtful of others, and had great love for his Master's work. Returning to Henderson, after a visit in Kansas, seeming in the best of health, he was taken with a cold, which proved serious, and in less than a week he peacefully passed to the heavenly home. He closed his last prayer with the words: "May we all enter into the New Jerusalem and go no more out forever!"

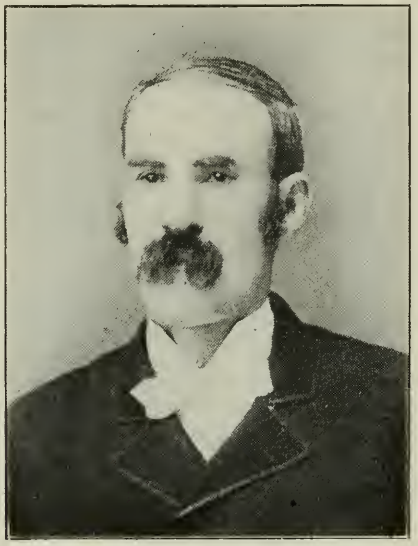
REV. W. L. BURKITT.

Rev. W. L. Burkitt was born October 15, 1841, in Wayne County, Ills., and died March 4, 1899, at the parsonage in Beecher City. He enlisted in the Third Regiment, Illinois Infantry, in August, 1862, and served till the close of the war.

He was married December 31, 1865, to Sarah E. Wolf, of Orange County, Ind. Two sons and one daughter were the fruit of this union, and survive him. He was married to Lizzie Shumake, October 20, 1874. One daughter, now deceased, was born to this marriage. He was married August 24, 1881, to Louisa Ruth Norton, his now bereaved wife.

Brother Burkitt was converted at the age of seventeen. In later years, he entered the ministry, and was ordained deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Nashville, Ills., September 23, 1877. He was made an elder in the Methodist Protestant Church, September 22, 1878, and was traveling elder of this Church for

eight years. He joined the Methodist Episcopal Church by letter on the Flat Rock Circuit, Southern Illinois Conference, September, 1886. He served as a supply at Opdyke one year. He was then appointed to Waterloo, which he served three years. At the end of his year at Waterloo, he was received on trial in the Southern



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Illinois Conference, and, at the end of his third year, into full connection. Since then he has served the following charges: Wisetown, Jeffersonville, Willow Hill, Sumner, Shobonier, Alma, Spring Garden, and Beecher City. He was a kind father and loving husband. He was a patient sufferer to the last, his mind was clear, and the end triumphant.

MRS. MARY H. SEARS.

Mary Henderson Prentice, eldest daughter of Rev. Amos and Hope Henderson Prentice, was born near Whitehall, Greene County, Illinois, July 30, 1832. She was converted, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in Shelbyville, Ills., in the ninth year of her age. She was married to Rev. Hiram Sears, at Whitehall, Ills., May 25, 1851.

Mrs. Sears was a woman of a sweet and lovable disposition,

quiet, reserved, but possessed of decided convictions, and of remarkable firmness of character. She was a woman of great excellence and usefulness, always ready to extend sympathy and assistance wherever needed. She was an uncompromising advocate of all social and moral reforms. The temperance cause, the maintenance of the Holy Sabbath, a vigorous prosecution of the work of the Humane Society, all individual and associated efforts for the uplifting of society and the establishment of universal purity, were subjects of her almost constant thought and prayers.

She was her husband's constant adviser and efficient assistant while laboring in the following appointments: Benton, Fairfield, Edwardsville, the agency of McKendree College at Lebanon, Ills., Middle Alton, Brighton Circuit, Elsah, the Southern Illinois Conference Female College and Station at Salem, Mt. Carmel, Cairo, Vandalia, Vandalia District, Carbondale, the agency of McKendree College a second time, Upper Alton, Collinsville, East St. Louis, and more recently in the work of the Western Seamen's Friend Society.

Her life was based upon two unfailing principles of action, which were the foundations of all of its rich and beautiful developments and successes, and which are worthy of imitation by all. One was to work steadily along in her domestic industries as if she were to live on earth forever; the other, to conduct her social and religious life as if each day were to be her last.

Mrs. Sears was the mother of six children, three of whom, a son and two daughters, survive her. She died very suddenly, October 10, 1898, at her home in Berea, Ohio.

Her beautiful and consistent life in Christ Jesus gives us assurance of her acceptance by the Great Head of the Church, and her union with the redeemed.

MRS. ELIZABETH H. PIERCE.

Elizabeth Henry Church was born in Union County, Ky., March 18, 1833, was married to Rev. B. R. Pierce, D. D., March 4, 1852, and died in Peoria, Ills., May 2, 1899.

In her seventeenth year she was converted at a revival meeting in Henderson County, Ky., the only convert of that meeting. She at once joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. After her marriage, she united with the Presbyterian Church, of which her husband was a member. In 1853 she came with her husband to Illinois, and located in Saline County. There being no Presbyterian Church near them, she and her husband united with the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1885 her husband joined he Southern

Illinois Conference, and since then she has joyfully borne the burdens and shared in the toils and triumphs of itinerant life, until called from labor and suffering to her reward on high.

She was the mother of eight children, five of whom are living—Rev. R. E. Pierce, of the Southern Illinois Conference; Rev. W. H. Pierce, of the Rock River Conference; Rev. S. C. Pierce, of the Illinois Conference; Mrs. Belle Lee, wife of Rev. N. H. Lee, of the Colorado Conference, and Mrs. Minnie Eagleton, of Peoria, Ills.

Sister Pierce was fully identified with her husband's labor for the Master for forty-four years. She cheerfully accepted the appointments given by the authorities of the Church as from God's hand. She was blessed with a happy and cheerful disposition, and had always a word of encouragement and a pleasant smile for all she met. The Lord permitted her to live to see all her sons enter the ministry, and one daughter become the wife of a minister in the Church she loved.

The last appointment she received with her husband was Plainview. She went to the charge, and served the people in such a Christlike spirit as to endear herself to all. About one week before her death, she made a visit to her daughter, Mrs. L. O. Eagleton, of Peoria, Ills., where she suddenly was stricken with paralysis, and, after a short time of suffering, quietly fell asleep in Jesus. After her first stroke, she had several lucid hours, in which she conversed with her family, and gave evidence of her thorough preparation for the change. Sister Pierce was an earnest, consistent, and consecrated Christian, a faithful and devoted wife, a mother whose influence will be like precious ointment on the heads of her children.

MRS. EDITH FLINT THRALL.

Edith Flint was born near Lebanon, Ills., February 16, 1845, and died at her home in Lebanon, Ills., November 10, 1898. She was a Christian, and a member of the Church from childhood, and comes from an old and prominent Methodist family, several of whom have been connected with the ministry of our Church. She was a sister of Rev. J. W. Flint, of the Southern Illinois Conference, and the wife of Rev. L. W. Thrall, D. D., to whom she was married September 29, 1873.

Her devotion to God, her loyalty to the Church, and her thorough knowledge of its work singularly qualified her for the wife of a minister. She was active in the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Sunday-school and Epworth League, and exerted a great

influence upon every Church with which she was connected. Her gentle wisdom, her sweet humility, and her broad and tender sympathies made her a successful leader in all departments of Church work. She was a wise, prudent, and devoted mother. Every one of her five children are earnest Christians. Her oldest son is now a local preacher, and a prospective member of this Conference.

For several years before her death she suffered much from a painful disease, which she knew was gradually taking her life; but during these years of suffering, she continued active in the Master's service. Some time before she died, when she could hardly speak above a whisper, she testified to the preciousness of Jesus.

Mrs. Thrall was a woman of unusual intelligence. Her naturally strong mind was developed by hard and patient study, and richly stored with valuable knowledge. She graduated from McKendree College in 1870, being the first lady graduate from that institution. She had a poetical turn of mind, and is the author of a number of beautiful poems, which have had a wide circulation.

Although she rests from her labors, the influence of her sweet life remains, and her work is carried on in the service of hundreds whom she has helped into the blessedness of the life in Christ.

MRS. CATHARINE STAFFORD KING.

Catharine Stafford King was born in Johnson County, Ky., March 6, 1823, and died near Walnut Hill, Ills., November 12, 1898. In early childhood she was taught to fear God. Her father's house was a regular preaching place, and a home for Methodist preachers, for more than fifty years. When about eighteen years of age, she united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for four years was an earnest seeker of salvation, but at last, when all alone, she found the favor so long sought, and realized peace with God.

At the age of twenty-three years, she was united in marriage to Rev. M. L. King, then pastor of Paintsville Circuit, Kentucky Conference. This union was blessed with a continuance of more than fifty-three years, during which time she was an affectionate wife and mother, and an unassuming Christian. In her early itinerant life, she endured hardships and disappointments but little known to the minister's wife of to-day. Yet she bore them willingly for the sake of the gospel.

She was the mother of seven children, three of whom preceded her to their heavenly home. In her last sickness she lingered some eight months apparently without any great suffering.

She was faithful to every interest of the Church, but was

especially interested in the triumphs of the missionary cause. Just before she fell asleep, being asked by a loved one who stood by if Jesus was precious, she rallied the remnant of her strength and said, "Yes, yes," then closing her eyes, she was not, for God had taken her.

MRS. NANCY J. YINGST.

Nancy Johnson, daughter of James and Eliza Johnson, was born in Clinton County, Ills., January 4, 1846. She was united in marriage with Rev. Adam Yingst, August 15, 1867. In 1887, they entered the itinerancy of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for nearly twelve years she shared the joys and anxieties of a Methodist preacher's life. Together they labored on the following charges: Mulberry Grove, Beaucoup, Wisetown, Waterloo, and Huey, from the last of which Sister Yingst was called to her reward.

She was a cheerful helpmate, and labored with increasing interest until her death, which occurred at the parsonage in Huey, July 6, 1899. The esteem in which she was held was attested by the throngs that attended the funeral services. A husband and seven children look heavenward for a reunion with wife and mother.

MRS. ELLA L. CLUCAS McCAMMON.

Mrs. Ella L. Clucas McCammon was born in Lebanon, Ills., November 14, 1869, and died in Mound City, Ills., leaving, besides her stricken husband, two children.

At ten years of age, under the pastorate of Joseph Earp, she made such a perfect consecration of her life to Christ, and received such clear evidence of her acceptance with God, that she was ever after the possessor of a bright and beautiful Christian experience. This was the basis and the secret of a fragrant, helpful life, that drooped and faded all too soon, but around which linger memories sweet, tender, and helpful.

During her career in McKendree College, where she reached the Senior year, she displayed intellectual capacities above the average. Her winsome manner, intellectual vivacity, and imperial womanliness, all heightened by her unassumed modesty, made her a favorite, and gave her a potent and wholesome influence among the students and in the community. With her social temper, intellectual attainments, and Christian character, it is not strange that her friends often remarked that she was eminently fitted for the duties and responsibilities of a minister's wife. So when, on October 31, 1894, she was married to Rev. George E. McCammon,

hearty congratulations and high hopes followed her. Though quiet, and of retiring disposition, she at once became a leader of the ladies of the charge to which they were sent. Among the young people, over whom she exercised a dignified and helpful influence, she became a general favorite. The children whom she patiently and diligently taught, came to love her dearly, and when, on Sunday morning, February 9, 1899, her Savior came and took her home, a community was shocked, a Church bereaved, and a wide circle of friends sorrow-smitten.

Her death was the triumphant death of a Christian. She remarked during the hours of waiting for the chariot, that she had feared lest she might not have grace to meet death courageously. But she had such visions of glory that not even the shadow of death could be discerned, and she almost forgot that she was dying in magnifying the abundance of grace administered to her. Once, when she thought that Jesus had come, she whispered, "Receive my spirit." Tender farewells were spoken, and loving messages delivered. Her last words to tearful people who surrounded her bed or waited in their homes were the words of the Epworth League benediction. Her dying message to her husband was, "Be faithful."

MRS. MATTIE BOYD HALE.

Mrs. Mattie Boyd Hale was born in Crawford County Ills., May 15, 1860, and died at Robinson, Ills., October 16, 1898.

She was converted at the age of fourteen, under the ministry of Rev. William B. Bruner, and was the instrument of leading her father to Christ in the same meeting. She was married to her now bereaved husband, Rev. W. G. Hale, October 21, 1880.

In September, 1883, Brother Hale was received on trial in the Southern Illinois Conference, and she cheerfully entered upon the toils, cares, and trials incident to the work of the ministry.

With her husband she served the following charges: Rose Hill, Oblong, West Liberty, Olney Circuit, Belmont, Walnut Hill, Braceville, in Central Illinois Conference, and Altamont.

She was noted for her integrity, industry, and the kind and watchful care which she had over her children. She was deeply interested in missionary work, and by her efforts secured the support and partial education of two orphan girls in India.

Her death was sudden. She had gone on a visit to friends in Robinson. In the home of her brother-in-law she was retiring for the night when a slight cough produced a hemorrhage from lungs weakened by disease, and in less than three minutes she was gone. Besides her bereaved husband, she leaves five children and a multitude of friends to mourn her death.

Reports of Retiring Presiding Elders.

MT. CARMEL DISTRICT.

J. G. Dee, Presiding Elder.

When the district was turned over to us there were 26 pastoral charges, and now, covering the same territory, there are 33. There have been 23 churches dedicated, 3 more completed, and 2 more on the way, with another with material on the ground to lay the foundation and begin the work. Two new parsonages have been built, and another purchased. Seventeen churches have been built where we never before had a church-building, and seven of these where six years ago we had no society. A lot has been purchased and plans secured to build a $6,000 church at Harrisburg, and the Mt. Carmel District has no more than $3,000 of indebtedness on all its church property.

Up to the present time there have been over $76,446 raised and expended in building and improving church property, and $8,954 paid on indebtedness, besides an increase of pastoral support of over $3,000, and a gradual advance in the benevolent claims of the Church. It must be remembered that these results have been reached in spite of the constant and persistent cry of hard times during these six years. The smallest increase is found in membership, which is 755, which is accounted for by the rigid purging of the Church records, until the names and bodies correspond in number.

Our labors during these years have been arduous, taxing our strength to the utmost; but so kind and forbearing have been the people, and so helpful the pastors, that we shall always look upon the time we have been permitted to spend upon the district as the most pleasant and profitable in our ministry. The painful and disagreeable experiences have been so few that we will soon forget them, while the pleasant and happy experiences and associations and fellowships have been so many and satisfactory that the thought of them will warm and cheer us for years to come.

We have carefully inquired of the pastors if the rules for the religious instruction of the children have been observed, and find that there is a growing interest prevailing among the pastors and people concerning this very important work, and I believe there has not been any among us who have not made an honest effort to observe them.

We have rigidly insisted that our Sunday-schools be organized according to the Discipline, and our people are appreciating the fact, more and more, that it is by far the best way. We have also insisted upon using our own literature, and we do not know of a single instance of a Methodist Sunday-school using any other kind, while several Union schools do.

The organization of Epworth Leagues has been encouraged and emphasized, and we now number 33 Leagues, with nearly 1,500 members, and 22 Junior Leagues, with at least 1,000 members. The Junior League work has nearly doubled this year. These Leagues, most of them, are a great help and inspiration to the work of the Church.

We gladly pass the responsibilities of the work over into other hands, and shall consider it an honor to form in the ranks and stand side by side with the men that have made all the success that has been reached in the six years of our work in the Mt. Carmel District possible.

OLNEY DISTRICT.

WILLIAM WALLIS, Presiding Elder.

In the work of the past six years we have made a very satisfactory growth in church-building and in preparing better homes for the preachers. In 1893 there were 90 churches and 5 schoolhouse appointments. Three churches have passed into the Mt. Carmel District, one has passed into the Vandalia District, and one has been sold because the society had gone down. This reduces the original number to 85. We now have 97 churches and not a single schoolhouse appointment. We have built ten churches where we never before had a church, and four where we never before had a society. There have been nineteen churches dedicated—chiefly country churches. Three of these were in process of erection when I took the district; the remaining sixteen have been commenced and completed since. These nineteen churches, with the money now pledged for the Robinson and Mt. Erie churches, cost $37,825. Six parsonages have been remodeled or enlarged, two have been purchased, and five new ones have been built, all costing $6,530. Amount raised for building churches and parsonages, $44,355. The remaining indebtedness on all these churches and parsonages is about $1,350.

The number of Epworth Leagues has increased from 23 to 56.

Not less than 500 Methodists have died within the bounds of the district. These are the garnered sheaves. They have dropped from the rolls of the Church militant, and are numbered with the saints in heaven. The vacancies which they left are filled, and the Church rejoices in her increasing hosts.

The cash receipts of the preachers for the six years amount to about $105,000. The collections for benevolent purposes amount to about $33,000, nearly 32 per cent of the whole amount received by the preachers.

In making my final report, I desire to thank the preachers and their faithful wives for the uniform kindness which I have received, for the considerate and cheerful aid rendered in holding quarterly meetings in places which it was impossible for me to reach, and for their faithful and self-sacrificing work in trying to build up the Redeemer's kingdom. They have proved themselves to be a noble and faithful band of brethren. Having associated with them for six years, I have learned to love them. I have preached, during my term, 1,194 times, have held 493 Quarterly Conferences, administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper 341 times, have traveled, within the bounds of the district 17,144 miles by rail, and 3,834 overland; in all, nearly 21,000 miles. I now surrender the district, praying God's blessing upon my succesor.

VANDALIA DISTRICT.

L. W. THRALL, Presiding Elder.

I received the appointment of Presiding Elder of Vandalia District at the Conference of 1893. The district was in good condition, and consisted of twenty-six pastoral charges. Since then Beecher City Circuit has been formed, and Wayne City Circuit added. The organization of some additional charges will be recommended at this session. Seven new churches have been built, and one has been purchased, eight in all; three parsonages have been built, and one purchased, four in all. A new and beautiful church is in process of erection at Vandalia. Extensive improvements have been made on church and parsonage property on nearly every charge. The benevolent collections have been greatly increased. During the last three years a District Advocate has been published under the direction of the District Conference. It is believed that its publication has been of great service in the increase of ministerial support and the offerings for benevolences, and in the promotion of the general interests of the work. During the three years of its publication ending with the present session of the Conference, the benevolent collections of the district have increased a little over $1,000, there has been an increase of between 20 and 25 per cent in membership, and at least a proportionate increase in the offerings of the Church for the Lord's work. I have preached 1,286 times. With the exception of seven weeks' illness, following on pneumonia, two and a half years ago, God has blessed me with health and strength for my work. This last year has been one

of deep sorrow. After twenty-five years and six months of unspeakable happiness in the fellowship of an unbroken family, at one o'clock in the morning of November 10th, while the pitiless rain was falling heavily upon the roof, the light of my home was taken away. My brethren have been kind, and my children are dear. God's keeping grace has been wonderful. I will not murmur against the path along which infinite love has led me.

"But O, for the touch of a vanished hand,
And the sound of a voice that is still!"

My prayer is that God may prosper and bless the Vandalia District through all coming years, and deal tenderly with my faithful and dearly-beloved fellow toilers of the last six years, until we meet in glory.

Reports of Committees.

ON EDUCATION.

The Methodist Episcopal Church advocates that form of education which embraces the culture of the whole man, and is, therefore, a holy education, recognizing the moral not less than the physical, and the spiritual not less than the intellectual. We rejoice that our schools have been alike free from the spirit of secularism which has dominated our State institutions of learning, the spirit of mammonism which has fostered institutions for private gain, and the spirit of superficiality which has everywhere demanded short-cuts to college honors.

The Methodist Episcopal Church is the special friend of the public-school system, but deplores the fact that from those schools has been banished the open Bible, "the rock on which the liberties of the Republic rest." We pledge our co-operation with all Christians in restoring to the youth of our land the birthright of which they have been robbed; namely, knowledge, through the common schools, of the Book which is the source of both civil and religious liberty.

McKENDREE COLLEGE.

The interests of higher Christian education in this Conference are identical with the interests of McKendree College, whose long history, honorable record, and inspiring traditions we recognize as a precious heritage. Its restored and enlarged curriculum, its increased facilities, its well-equipped Faculty, warrant us in insisting that in it the Methodist young people of Southern Illinois should be educated. We appreciate the unselfish, untiring, and eminently successful work of President M. H. Chamberlin, LL. D., in the interest of McKendree College—paying indebtness, improving the buildings, enlarging the library, advancing the grade of requirements, increasing the endowment fund, and placing the institution before the people in a way to command their respect and patronage.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We believe that men should be educated for the ministry and not by it. The King's business does not require such haste that the King's messengers can not prepare. Education is more necessary now than ever before, and is, likewise, easier to get; wherefore we urge that all candidates for the ministry in our Conference avail

themselves of the opportunities offered by McKendree College, or some other high-grade institution of our Church, and that to this fundamental classical work they add the professional training to be secured in our magnificently-equipped theological schools.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education of our Church at large is a great factor in our educational work, loaning, last year, $81,100 to 1,840 needy students. The loans to persons belonging within the bounds of this Conference aggregated $720, while our collections amounted to only $588. It will be readily seen that to limit our giving in this line is a suicidal policy, as we can expect equitably to receive loans only in proportion as we pay. We therefore urge upon our pastors:

1. That they observe Children's-day, TAKING THE COLLECTION ACCORDING TO THE DISCIPLINE, and not confusing it with other benevolences.

2. That they present, occasionally, the progress and merits of our own schools, and endeavor to get students for them.

3. That they make a larger EDUCATIONAL use of Children's-day, so that our young people may be directed to college.

4. That they make a more religious use of the day, that our young people may be brought into the Church.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

We recommend that the anniversary exercises of the Conference Board of Education continue, as now, to be given one entire evening, during the Annual Conference, for the promotion of the educational interests of the Church.

VISITORS TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

We recommend that the following Conference Visitors be appointed:

McKENDREE COLLEGE.

Visitors: J. W. Van Cleve, J. F. Harmon, F. L. West, S. P. Young, F. W. Loy, J. W. Jackson, C. O. Kimball, C. D. Shumard, N. Crow. Alternates: J. A. Large, B. A. Hoar, C. A. Beckett, A. H. Pitkin, J. H. Jones, J. D. Hennessey, T. O. Holley, W. L. Cunningham, Jas. N. Eason.

GARRETT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE.

Visitors: J. G. Harmon, C. B. Besse. Alternates: J. W. Cummins, Wm. Carson.

FRANK W. LOY, Chairman.
CLARENCE O. KIMBALL, Secretary.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF MCKENDREE COLLEGE.

The past year has been one of encouragement to the management of McKendree College. The school year opened only last Wednesday, so that the enrollment of students for the first term can not yet be indicated. However, the number already matriculated, in comparison with the same period last year, warrants the statement there will be no falling off in numbers, but rather good promise the attendance will be increased.

The grade of the students continues to advance. The elimination of superficial courses, and the thorough work we are doing, gives us an acknowledged standing with the best of colleges. The teaching force is made up of men of fine capabilities, who devote themselves to their work in sacrificial spirit. The relations between students and Faculty are those of harmony.

During the same period the payment of the long-standing debts against the college, the improvement and modernizing of the property, and the casting off of superficial side courses, have restored public confidence in the institution. In taking these steps the President of the college held in mind that their accomplishment was a necessary preparation for an appeal to the public for an added $100,000 to the endowment of the institution, whereby the present too heavily-burdened Faculty could be relieved by added members, and the public be brought into the fullest faith that the past seventy-two years of McKendree history had been made forever secure. Indeed, when $100,000 is secured, the co-operation of men of means can be relied upon to furnish the funds to generously endow and enlarge the scope of usefulness of the institution by adding still other departments along university lines.

The charter of McKendree concedes fullest university privileges, and the long record of the college's usefulness, coupled with its proximity to the great city of St. Louis, furnishes conditions to encourage the proposition to make of the institution the university for which its charter provides. The importance of raising $100,000 is therefore manifest. It means great things for McKendree—the oldest existing college of American Methodism. Appreciating the force of the situation, Dr. D. K. Pearsons, of Chicago, recently gave to President Chamberlin his written pledge for $20,000, conditioned upon the raising an added $80,000 by July 19, 1900. Within the boundaries of this Conference that sum should be promptly raised.

Now, while the Twentieth-century Thank-offering Movement is on, is the opportune moment for the undertaking. The Committee beg to suggest, in presenting the claims of benevolence throughout the Conference in connection with the Twentieth-century Thank-

offering, that McKendree's claim should be pre-eminent, and that a thoroughly-organized effort be made to add largely to its endowment.

As showing the renewed interest which has been awakened in the college, Hon. Annis Merrill, of California, Professor of Ancient Languages at McKendree from 1836 to 1842, promises to dedicate to the institution certain San Francisco property, which, during the more prosperous days of that city, was worth $25,000. Hon. Andrew Eisenmayer has also donated the sum of $2,000, as the beginning of a fund for the erection of a new building for college uses. It is proposed to make this a part of a $20,000 fund for the erection and endowment of a gymnasium and Y. M. C. A. building combined.

In passing, mention of important donations to the library should not be omitted, especially one of marked value made by Mrs. Henrietta Cramp, of Bloomington, Ill., since it comprises over five hundred volumes, many of which pertain to the beginnings of Methodism. Also 150 volumes from the Methodist Book Concern at Cincinnati, together with numerous smaller donations, have notably increased the usefulness of the library. In this connection we name the need of a new library building, and express the assurance we feel that it will be supplied, together with the other important issues, which will follow the securing of the $100,000 endowment.

The Executive Committee are glad to note the new hope and interest in behalf of the college on the part of the Conference. It inspires the administration with strong courage and faith, since the co-operation of the clergy in keeping the college before the public will result in sending young men and women to its halls for their education, and stimulate the laity to give of their means to carry out the important plans inaugurated in its interest.

By your zealous co-operation, under the blessings of the Divine providence, McKendree, with its splendid past, will be made to achieve a still more glorious future.

M. H. CHAMBERLIN, President.

TEMPERANCE.

We again affirm that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes is the crowning crime of the centuries, and the American saloon is the most successful agency on earth for the debauchment of man physically and morally.

Observation and continuous study of the situation show that, in spite of our opposition, the traffic is strongly intrenched in commercial, political, and social affairs. We deplore the constantly-increasing use of beer, and the oft-repeated assumption of its harmlessness; the establishment of the wine-bottle on the table

of the well-to-do class; and the fact that the liquor-trade can boast that it puts a constantly-increasing sum of money into the treasury of the United States.

But we solemnly declare that, were the enemy a thousand times as strong as it now is; were its weapons multiplied a thousand-fold; did so-called science bolster it up with immature declarations; and were even our national finance in danger of collapse because of the annihilation of this source of revenue; nevertheless, we pledge ourselves, by every force at our disposal, educational, moral, civil, and religious, to pursue it to the death.

We believe one of the chief reasons for the existence of saloons is the blind partisanship of citizens, and Church members are by no means blameless on this line. We frequently see the sorry spectacle of Christ's professed followers fighting in opposing ranks, although it is clear that the enemy alone must reap advantage thereby. Partisanship should be eliminated from municipal affairs, and Christian men come to recognize their obligation to God and moral order as superior to their affiliation to any political organization.

We desire to recognize the Anti-saloon League as an instrument through which great good may be accomplished; we urge our preachers to greater activity in instructing the people, creating and maintaining a high standard of public sentiment; and declare that we will not retreat from our position that "it can never be licensed without sin."

We believe that the best class of people in the country have been pained by the non-action of President McKinley in permitting the iniquitous army canteen to continue as a moral pest in the army, and we pronounce the opinion of Attorney-General Griggs, in regard to the law of Congress abolishing the canteen, unsound, and an unmistakable bid for the support of the liquor-traffic; and respectfully call upon our Chief Magistrate to use the authority vested in him, and remove the terrible source of temptation in army life.

We desire to recognize the action of the Secretary of the Navy in cleansing our ships of this curse, and pray that no retrograde measure may ever follow. C. W. CASELEY, Secretary.

STEWARDS' REPORT.

The Stewards submit the following report:

We recommend the appropriation, to claimants, the sums specified in the appended distribution.

We recommend that the sum of $7,000 be apportioned to the charges for Conference claimants for the ensuing year..

We recommend that the vacancy in the Board of Stewards, occasioned by the resignation of B. R. Pierce, be filled by the appointment of L. W. Thrall, and that the vacancies in course be filled by S. P. Groves and John Leeper.

Respectfully submitted. T. H. HERDMAN, Secretary.

DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.

Mrs. J. B. Reynolds	$80	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. L. C. English	75	taken by C. A. Beckett.
Mrs. G. W. Robbins	75	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. J. Thatcher	80	taken by F. W. Loy.
Mrs. C. J. T. Tolle	105	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. C. J. Houts	75	taken by Self.
Mrs. Z. S. Clifford	50	taken by B. S. Smith.
Mrs. O. V. Jones	25	taken by F. W. Loy.
Mrs. G. W. Farmer	70	taken by C. W. Caseley.
Mrs. A. L. Downey	75	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. N. Allyn	75	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. R. J. Nall	80	taken by J. A. Scarritt.
Mrs. P. P. Hamilton	70	taken by J. Y. Reid.
Mrs. E. Root	50	taken by F. W. Loy.
Mrs. A. Campbell	60	taken by F. L. Thomson.
Mrs. W. T. Brannum	75	taken by J. T. Murken.
Mrs. J. Earp	75	taken by F. W. Loy.
Mrs. A. Snell	110	taken by C. O. Kimball.
Mrs. E. E. Waggoner	50	taken by A. H. Pitkin.
Mrs. J. L. Hawk	75	taken by W. V. Kirkpatrick.
Mrs. D. R. Miller	50	taken by H. H. Young.
Mrs. J. W. McIntosh	85	taken by S. A. McIntosh.
Mrs. J. W. Field	50	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. J. B. Thompson	100	taken by S. P. Young.
Mrs. C. T. Douthitt	75	taken by Secretary.
Mrs. J. D. Crenshaw	75	taken by C. B. Besse.
Mrs. J. W. Locke	25	taken by F. W. Loy.
Miss Ollie Shepherd	50	taken by J. W. McNeill.
Rev. M. House	75	taken by C. D. Shumard.
Rev. G. W. Waggoner	75	taken by J. A. Large.
Rev. H. Manifold	115	taken by J. W. Van Cleve.
Rev. Wm. Van Cleve	170	taken by J. W. Van Cleve.
Rev. D. Oglesby	25	taken by Z. J. Farmer.
Rev. J. D. Gillham	160	taken by Self.
Rev. C. D. Lingenfelter	110	taken by John Leeper.
Rev. E. Joy	100	taken by Self.
Rev. J. A. Robinson	150	taken by Self.

Rev. C. W. Bonner	25	taken by Secretary.
Rev. Wm. Tilroe	70	taken by L. C. Wilkin.
Rev. J. M. Mulvaney	100	taken by Self.
Rev. J. W. Nall	155	taken by Secretary.
Rev. M. L. King	75	taken by Self.
Rev. J. P. Rutherford	70	taken by S. O. Kepley.
Rev. A. Ransom	50	taken by Wm. Carson.
Rev. L. A. Harper	110	taken by Self.
Rev. J. W. Franklin	100	taken by W. A. Cross.
Rev. W. F. Davis	125	taken by Secretary.
Rev. Wm. McMorrow	100	taken by W. L. Jones.
Rev. J. A. Thrapp	100	taken by J. G. Tucker.
Rev. V. D. Lingenfelter	100	taken by Self.
Rev. T. A. Eaton	100	taken by L. Cramp.
Rev. H. H. Keith	50	taken by Secretary.
Rev. J. R. Reef	60	taken by Self.
Rev. W. E. Ravenscroft	60	taken by C. O. Kimball.
Rev. J. H. McGriff	100	taken by Self.
Rev. J. L. Cunningham	50	taken by C. O. Kimball.
Rev. R. W. Laughlin	25	taken by C. W. Sabine.
Rev. B. R. Pierce	$105.91	taken by Self.

Received from charges	$4,560 36
Received from Book Concern	980 00
Received from Chartered Fund	22 00
Received from Love-feast Collection	77 91
Total	$5,640 27

F. H. HERDMAN Secretary. S. P. GROVES. Chairman.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The history of the Board of Church Extension has proved, beyond a doubt, that it has done a most excellent work in advancing the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom. It has raised, by collections and personal gifts, $6,400,000, and has aided 11,197 churches—more than one-third of the entire number owned by our denomination; therefore,

Resolved, That we, as pastors, make a stronger effort than ever before to raise $2,500, the amount which the General Committee has asked of our Conference for the ensuing year.

That, inasmuch as the General Committee desires that the Church shall contribute $1,000,000 as a Twentieth-century Thankoffering, we will faithfully present the facts to our people, and ask them to contribute to the extent of their ability.

G. CALVERT, Secretary. A. DEWHIRST, Chairman.

FREEDMEN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION.

We recognize in the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society a great and potent factor in educating, civilizing, and Christianizing mankind. We rejoice in the success of this Society, and its increased influence and recognition in the South.

We therefore recommend that the sum of $2,000, the amount asked for by this Society, be apportioned to this Conference, and that each pastor make an earnest effort to raise the amount apportioned to his charge.

W. T. MORRIS, Chairman.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

WHEREAS, This Society has been the faithful and efficient coworker of the Parent Missionary Board in planting and establishing the gospel in our large cities and in our Southern States; therefore,

Resolved That, as pastors, we will encourage the work of this Society in every possible way.

DOUGLAS SHOUSE, Chairman.

W. G. HALE, Secretary.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS AND TRACTS.

We recognize in the Sunday-school one of the most important factors in the religious and educational life, not only of our own age, but of the ages to come, since the Sunday-school teaches the Bible, and brings the gospel to vast multitudes in the respective periods of childhood. The total Sunday-school population in the United States is more than 12,000,000, of whom there are in the Methodist Episcopal Church over 31,000 Sunday-schools, with 350,000 officers and teachers, and more than 2,600,000 scholars.

We believe that the literature for the Sunday-school supplied by the Methodist Episcopal Church, and published by our own Book Concern, is the best for the purpose that can be obtained. We urge that our pastors and Presiding Elders everywhere see that our literature is used in the Sunday-schools.

We recommend that, wherever practicable, the Home Department be established in connection with our Sunday-schools. This is a distinct branch of the school for the benefit of those who are unable to attend its sessions, but are willing to study the lesson at home.

The Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church aids in the circulation of religious literature, particularly in the form of tracts and leaflets, throughout the entire world. It is circulating literature in at least twelve languages in the United States alone,

and in more than twenty languages in foreign lands. Every year it gives away 11,000,000 pages of tracts in the United States alone, besides sending $10,000 annually to our mission stations for aid in the publication and circulation of religious literature. During the past year it has distributed tracts to the soldiers in nearly all our camps, to the sailors and marines wherever access could be obtained, to the prisons and public institutions throughout our land wherever application was made, and to thousands of pastors for circulation in their charges.

We recommend that the pastors in our Conference avail themselves more generally of the liberal offer of the Tract Society, which provides that every preacher who will make application can receive from the Society free, in the form of tracts, one-half of the last collection of his charge for the Tract Society.

We earnestly hope that our pastors will avail themselves of the opportunity furnished by the Book Concern and the Tract Society for an increased circulation of these leaves from the tree of life.

Inasmuch as the Tract Society needs the sum of $50,000 per annum in order to carry on its work throughout the Church and the world, we urge that a collection be taken for this Society in all our Churches during the coming year, and that our support, both morally and financially, be given to the efforts of this Society to spread a Christian literature throughout the world.

J. ARTHUR LARGE, Chairman.
J. D. HENNESSEY, Secretary.

TWENTIETH-CENTURY MOVEMENT.

The call of the Bishops for a Thank-offering in recognition of God's gracious dealings with us as a Church in the closing century, and as an expression of our gratitude to him for his loving mercy, should appeal to every heart.

Believing that our gratitude should move us to an immediate and united effort for the payment of all Church indebtedness within the Conference, the raising of a fund for Conference claimants, and the liberal endowment of McKendree College, we present the following recommendations:

We recommend that the pastors be requested to preach upon the subject as soon as practicable, and that they make a liberal use of Twentieth-century literature, to be secured from the Secretary, Dr. E. M. Mills, at the New York Book Rooms.

We recommend the debt-paying feature of the movement, and urge that a persistent effort be made in each district to liquidate all church indebtedness.

We recommend a special effort for enlarged contributions to the Conference Claimants' Fund.

We recommend the appointment of a Conference Secretary of the Twentieth-century Movement, and that the Secretary also be Treasurer.

We recommend the appointment, in each district, of a Twentieth-century Commission, consisting of the Presiding Elder, the Conference Secretary of the Movement, three ministers, and three laymen, who shall have supervision of the Movement in the respective districts.

We recommend that a concerted effort be made to add $60,000 to the endowment fund of McKendree College, that we seek to raise $10,000 in each district, and that if any district shall raise $20,000 it shall have the privilege of naming a Professorship.

We recommend that a district rally in the interest of this endowment be held in each district, and that this be done, if practicable, before January 1, 1900. C. NASH, Chairman.

C. D. SHUMARD, Secretary.

ORGANIZATION OF DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Your Committe would respectfully report that, after due consideration of the interest referred,

WHEREAS, Our Conference is not a beneficiary of the Parent Missionary Society; and

WHEREAS, There are numerous fields within our bounds that need outside help—fields which, if helped, may develop into self-sustaining charges:

1. We recommend the organization of a Domestic Missionary Society

2. We also recommend that the sum of $1,000 be apportioned to the several districts, to be raised in the same manner as the various missionary and benevolent funds, and that each district be entitled to the amount raised within its bounds. But in case of there being a field of exceptional need, the Presiding Elders may, by vote, make an appropriation for its support from the general fund.

3. We further recommend the election of the following officers: President, Wm. Wallis; Vice-President, John Leeper; Secretary, J. G. Dee; Treasurer, W. T. Morris; Managers, J. B. Ravenscroft, C. A. Beckett, T. H. Herdman.

Respectfully submitted. T. H. HERDMAN, Secretary.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS.

We, your Committee on District Conference Journals, beg leave to report that we have examined the journals of all the districts except one.

We find them in fair condition, that of Mt. Vernon District being especially commendable.

The plan which is followed by some of the Secretaries of tabulating the statistics is a good one, and we recommend that it be adopted by all. C. L. YORK, Chairman.

H. H. YOUNG, Secretary.

PERIODICALS.

WHEREAS, Among our membership the lack of intelligence on the various phases of Methodism is a chief cause of their indifference to the benevolent enterprises of the Church, lack of hearty sympathy in promoting the essential phases of Methodism, and incapacity to make efficient officers of the Church; therefore,

Resolved, That, so far as possible, we will personally visit each home of our charges and urge the taking and reading of one or more of our periodicals as a means of enabling our membership to give that intelligent service to the Church, without which it is impossible to make the Church accomplish all that it should in building up the kingdom of God. GYE PARK, Chairman.

D. W. BAKER, Secretary.

CLASS-MEETINGS.

THE class-meeting has been a potent factor in the growth of the Church and in the development of the religious life of the people, yet in many places is regarded as a thing of the past, in spite of the explicit directions of our Book of Discipline.

We recommend our preachers and people to read what the Discipline says about class-meetings, and govern themselves accordingly. We commend those Churches which maintain the class-meeting, and recommend that we encourage the spirit of the class-meeting in the weekly prayer-meeting and devotional-meetings of the Epworth League.

M. L. COLE, J. W. WEBSTER,
J. A. TAYLOR, W. D. McINTOSH,
J. A. HAMPTON, E. M. BARRINGER.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We recognize the hand of God in the organization, noble Christian purpose, splendid history, and special service rendered by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the salvation of the women of heathen lands; therefore,

Resolved, That we will give such personal sympathy and support to its work as circumstances may require and permit.

U. G. JOHNSTON, Secretary.

DEACONESS WORK.

We, your Committee on Deaconess Work, wish to submit the following report:

In view of the great need and importance of this form of Christian service in the bounds of our Conference, we recommend the appointment of a Board of Nine Persons, as provided in the Discipline, and we name the following to serve as this Board: Rev. J. W. Van Cleve, East St. Louis; Rev. G. W. Shepherd, Alton; Rev. Lemuel Cramp, East St. Louis; Rev. C. D. McCammon, Mt. Vernon; Mrs. F. L. Huntoon, East St. Louis; Mrs. J. W. Flint, Salem; Mrs. William Brownlee, Lebanon; R. W. Ropiequet, Belleville; T. S. Marshall, Salem.

G. W. SHEPHERD, Chairman.

BIBLE CAUSE.

The American Bible Society has, in the past year, inaugurated a change of policy by which the District or State Superintendents have been superseded by Field Agents, with a larger territorial jurisdiction. Rev. William R. Henderson, D. D., of 384 Bissel Street, Chicago, was appointed, last year, for Wisconsin, Illinois, and Indiana. It is Dr. Henderson's intention to visit as many of our Churches as practicable, and we urge that they give him a cordial welcome when he comes to present this great cause.

By reason of the increased responsibilities which have been thrown upon the American Bible Society by the wonderful providential openings in the Philippines, Porto Rico, Cuba, and Hawaii, as well as the ever-increasing necessities of missionary work in our own and foreign lands, we earnestly urge all our Churches to make special efforts to materially increase their contributions to this Society. Our Conference Minutes show that our contributions to this Society have largely been of a merely nominal character. Let us radically change this policy, as our last General

Conference said: "It is manifest that the contributions to the Society ought to be increased."

JOHN F. HARMON, C. E. BAKER,
G. W. RANDLE, M. H. LOAR,
L. C. WILKIN, CHAS. ATCHISON.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

In view of the express command of the sanctification and perpetuation of the Sabbath, which is indispensable to the highest form of social and civil life; and

WHEREAS, Sunday excursions, baseball games, picnics, bicycle riding, and unnecessary labor and amusements which demoralize and lead our young people astray, have become prevalent, retarding the cause of Christianity, and spotting characters that should resemble that of the Master; therefore,

Resolved, That we will persistently urge in our charges, and especially among the business men, the necessity of aiding, both by precept and practice, in the suppression of Sabbath desecration.

JAMES N. EASON, Chairman.
A. S. MAXEY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we appreciate the favor of the railroads to members of the Conference and to visitors, at reduced rates.

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the courtesy of the press of the city of Mt. Carmel in opening their columns to us, and in the full reports given of the daily proceedings of the Conference.

Resolved, That we heartily appreciate the efforts of our genial host, Dr. F. L. West, in entertaining the Conference, and extend to him and the citizens of Mt. Carmel our warmest thanks for their bountiful hospitality.

Resolved, That since, under the providence of God, in the issues of war for humanity, new possessions, with fourteen millions of alien people, have come under our flag, we indorse the patriotic sentiment of President McKinley that the flag must stay where it has been planted; and we pray that the President and Congress may be Divinely guided in giving these new subjects of ours stable government.

Resolved, That we regard the election of B. H. Roberts, a self-confessed polygamist, to the Lower House of Congress, as an offense to Christian civilization, a burning shame in the face of decency; and we therefore urge the expulsion of B. H. Roberts from the United States Congress.

M. N. POWERS, Chairman.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The mid-year examinations will take place at the several District Conferences, except Mt. Carmel District, which will take place at the District Epworth League Convention, on a part of the course, as follows:

I. FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.

1. Elements of English Branches.
2. Leading Facts of American History.—Montgomery.
3. Smaller Scriptural History.—Smith.
4. Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience.—Merrill.

II. FIRST YEAR.

1. Introduction to the Studies of the Scripture. (Old Testament, pages 1-447.)—Harmon.

2. Exegesis. Studies in the Gospel. (Study of the English N. T.—Horswell.) (1) Matt. i, 1-17; Luke iii, 23-38. (2) Matt. ii, 1-23; Luke ii, 4-52. (3) Matt. iii, 13-17; Luke iii, 21-23. (4) Mark i, 12-13; Luke iv, 1-13. (5) Mark i, 14-15; Matt. vii, 28-29; and Matt. xiii, 54; Luke vii, 45-46; Matt. xiii, 34. (6) Matt. ix, 5-6. (7) Luke xxiv, 25-27, and verses 44-48. (8) Matt. iii, 11; John xvi, 7; Luke xxiv, 49-53.

3. Systematic Theology, Vol. I.—Miley.

III. SECOND YEAR.

1. Introduction to the Study of the Holy Scriptures. (New Testament, pages 448-770.)—Harmon.

2. Exegetical Studies in the Pauline Epistles. (Suggestions for the Study of the English N. T.)—Horswell. (1) Rom. i, 1-25; ii, 17-23; iii, 24-28; iv, 16, and verses 22-24; v, 1-2; viii, 1-4. (2) 1 Cor. xv, 20, and verses 35-57. (3) 2 Cor. vi, 14-18; vii, 1. (4) Gal. i, 11-14. (5) Eph. ii, 1-8. (6) Phil. iii, 7-14; Col. i, 1-19. (7) Thes. i, 4-8. (8) 2 Thes. i, 5-10. (9) 1 Tim. i, 1-2; Heb. i, 1-3; xi, 1-3.

3. Systematic Theology, Vol. 2.—Miley.

IV. THIRD YEAR.

1. Biblical Hermeneutics.—Terry.

2. Exegetical Studies of the Pentateuch. (The Pentateuch and Isaiah.)—Warren. (1) Gen. i, 1, and verses 26-28; ii, 16, 17; iv, 5, and verses 14-15; xxii, 15-18. (2) Exodus xiv, 26-31; xxxv, 1-3. (3) Leviticus ix, 8, 9. (4) Numbers i, 1-14; v, 1-3. (5) Deut. xxxiv, 1-6, and verse 10.

3. Supernatural Book.—Foster.

V. FOURTH YEAR.

1. Theological Encyclopedia and Methodology.—Crooks and Hurst.

2. Exegetical Studies in the Old Testament. (Isaiah.)—Warren. (1) Isaiah i, 1, and chapter lv.

3. Preparation and Delivery of a Sermon.—Broadus.

VI. WRITTEN SERMONS.

Send written sermons to J. F. Harmon, Mt. Vernon; Exegesis, to M. N. Powers, Mt. Vernon; Essays, to J. W. Cummins, Olney, at least two months before Conference.

Bring syllabuses of books read to Conference.

Local preachers for deacons' and elders' orders must be presented on Tuesday of Conference week.

The following brethren have been appointed to act as Chairmen in their respective districts: Alton District, G. W. Shepherd; Lebanon District, C. D. Shumard; Mt. Carmel District, J. W. Jackson; Mt. Vernon District, J. F. Harmon; Olney District, J. W. Cummins; Vandalia District, J. W. McNeill.

DIVISION OF THE WORK.

M. N. Powers.—Exegesis and Syllabuses.

J. F. Harmon.—Sermons.

J. G. Harmon.—Elementary English Branches. Leading Facts of American History.—Montgomery.

J. W. McNeill.—Outlines of Universal History.—Fisher.

R. E. Pierce.—Larger Catechism.—Nast. Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Scriptural History.—Smith.

J. B. Ravenscroft.—Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience.—Merrill. The Supernatural Book.—Foster.

Douglas Shouse.—History of the Christian Church.—Hurst. Volume II, and Rhetoric.

J. H. Ford.—History of American Methodism (abridged.)—Stevens. Theological Compend.—Binney.

C. B. Besse.—English and American Literature.—Wheeler. Logic.—Jevons.

J. W. Jackson.—Harmon's Introduction; Old and New Testaments; Plain Accounts of Christian Perfection.

John Leeper.—Systematic Theology.—Raymond.

G. W. Shepherd.—Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching.—Buckley. Preparation and Delivery of a Sermon.—Broadus.

G. A. Seed.—Biblical Hermeneutics.—Terry. Christian Baptism.—Merrill.

C. D. Shumard.—Hurst's Church History, Volume I; Digest of Methodist Law.—Merrill.

F. L. Thompson.—Life of John Wesley; Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation.

W. A. Cross.—Elements of Psychology.—Hill. Introduction to the Gospel.—Nast.

J. W. Cummins.—Cyclopedia of Methodology; Essays.

B. A. Hoar.—Butler's Analogy.

J. D. Hennessey.—Manual of Christian Evidences.—Row. Outlines of Bible History.—Hurst.

C. W. Sabine.—Systematic Theology.—Miley.

M. N. POWERS, Chairman.

J. C. KINISON, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS OF LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

The Lay Electoral Conference of the Southern Illinois Conference, as representatives of the Lay Methodism, extend to the members of the Ministerial Conference greeting and fellowship. We appreciate their zeal, faithfulness, and sacrifices in the work of the Lord, and promise them our heartiest sympathy and cooperation.

Firmly impressed that the welfare of the Church calls for equal representation in the General Conference, and that the provisional delegates selected by this Conference ought to be entitled to admission in the next General Conference, we respectfully and firmly request their admission to the next General Conference.

Recognizing that the past victories of Methodism were achieved by the fathers while they were true to the spirit of Methodism and loyal to its polity and Discipline, we reaffirm our allegiance to the polity, doctrines, and Discipline of our Church; and we urge upon the General Conference that it stand firm in its adherence thereto, and that there be no surrender to the anti-Methodistic spirit of worldliness that would seek to undermine our beloved Methodim.

As American citizens we glory in the achievements of our army and navy; but realizing that intemperance is the bane of our national life, we deplore the presence of the army canteen, and urge upon the executive and legislative branches of our National Government, in behalf of the youth of our land, the prompt suppression of this blot upon the glory of our national life.

R. W. ROPIEQUET,
E. P. McFARLAND,
MRS. W. C. HADLEY.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

OFFICERS.

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MRS. M. N. POWERS. Mt. Vernon.

MRS. J. D. CRENSHAW. Carbondale.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

MRS. E. A. HYPES, Carbondale.

TREASURER.

MRS. JONATHAN SEAMAN, Greenville.

DISTRICT CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

Alton, ———.
Lebanon,———.
Mt. Carmel, MRS. J. W. JACKSON, McLeansboro.
Mt. Vernon, ———.
Olney, MRS. T. H. SEED, Sumner.
Vandalia, MRS. GEORGE SPENCER, Salem.

STATISTICS OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

NAME OF DISTRICT.	No. of Auxiliaries.	No. of Members...	No. Young Women's Societies....	No. of Members...	No. of Children's Bands	No. of Members...	No. Little Lightbearers.....	No. of Members...	Total Organizat's.	Total Membership	No. Subscribers to W. M. Friend.....	No. Subscribers to Ch. M. Friend...	No. Mite-boxes in Use.....	Amount of Contributions Reported by Treasurer.
Alton	10	210	1	37	3	25	1	7	15	279	25	10	40	$316 97
Lebanon, ...	6	105	1	15	0	0	0	1	7	121	37	0	43	336 56
Mt. Carmel..	9	200	0	0	2	20	0	0	11	220	16	25	3	186 82
Mt. Vernon..	5	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	100	18	45	10	197 29
Olney.....	16	328	2	30	6	227	0	0	24	585	66	216	202	1,084 39
Vandalia	6	175	1	10	1	10	0	0	8	185	26	4	148	354 42
Totals	52	1,118	5	92	12	282	1	8	70	1,500	188	300	446	$2,476 45

Amount reported by pastors and collected at Conference, . $37 00
Amount of bequest by Martha Jane Gillett, ... 91 78

Total, ... $2,605 23

EMELINE ALLYN HYPES, Corresponding Secretary,

CONFERENCE RECORD, 1899.

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE.

NAME.	P. O. ADDRESS.	ADMITTED INTO FULL CONNECTION.		Trans to S. Ill. Conf.	Nativity.	Relation.
		Year.	Conference.			
Albrecht, Samuel	New Douglas					Effective.
Abel, Josiah	Alton	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Adams, John M	E. St. Louis	1895	S. Illinois		Ky	Effective.
Atchison, Charles	Waltonville	1891	Kentucky.	1895	Illinois	Effective.
Baker, Charles E	Lebanon	1892	S. Illinois		Ohio	Supernu'y.
Baker, David W	Bridgeport	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Baker, M. B	Kinmundy	1890	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Barringer, Ezra M.	Browns	1888	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Barnes, Edmund	Medora	1873	Kentucky.	1884	Ky	Effective.
Barton, Andrew C	Grafton	1898	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Beckett, Charles A.	Robinson	1887	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Bennett, James H	Wayne City	1884	S. Illinois		Tenn	Supernu'y.
Besse, C. B	Carbondale	1873	E. Maine	1890	Maine	Effective.
Bonnell, J. G	Jacksonville		Illinois	1896	Illinois	Supernu'y.
Bonner, Charles W.	Riverside, Cal.	1867	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Superan'd.
Borah, John W	Okawville	1896	S. Illinois			Effective.
Boyer, J. J	Jeffersonville	1870	S. Illinois		Penn	Superan'd.
Bradley, Wm. R	Staunton	1884	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Brannum, Thos. P.	Villa Ridge	1899	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Bruner, Andrew J	Richview		Missouri			Effective.
Bruner, Wm. B	Tamaroa	1857	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Burke, James E	Pocahontas	1891	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Calvert, Greenlee	O'Fallon	1888	S. Illinois		N. Y	Effective.
Carlin, Philip C	Flat Rock	1896	S. Illinois			Effective.
Carr, Robert H	Mt. Erie	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Carson, Eddy L	Elsah	1894	Kentucky.	1895	Ky	Effective.
Carson, William	Newton	1891	S. Illinois		Ireland	Effective.
Caseley, C. W	DuQuoin			1898		Effective.
Cates, Theodore	Belmont	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Clark, Owen H	Chester	1861	S. Illinois		England	Effective.
Cole, Luther E	Donnellson	1883	S. Illinois		Mass	Supernu'y.
Cole, McKendree L.	Carlyle	1890	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Cooksey, Nicias B	Olney	1877	S. Illinois		Iowa	Supernu'y.
Cramp, Lemuel	E. St. Louis	1881	S. Illinois		England	Effective.
Cross, W. A	Collinsville	1874	Church South	1885	Ill	Effective.
Crowder, Rich'd H.	Moccasin	1898	S. Illinois		England	Effective.
Crow, Nathaniel	Carbondale	1881	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Cullom, Alvin D	Mulb'ry Grove		U. B. Church	1887	Illinois	Supernu'y.
Culver, Orlin F	Golconda	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Cummins, Jason B.	Galatia	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Cummins, J. S	Enfield		Arkansas	1897	Illinois	Effective.

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		Year.	Conference.			
Cummins, John W.	Olney	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Cummins, Lewis G.	Harrisburg	1898	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Cunningham, J. L.	Edwardsville	1879	S. Illinois		Tenn	Superan'd.
Cunningham, W. L.	Watson	1898	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Davis, John H	Vergennes	1899	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Davis, William F	Sullivan	1860	S. Illinois		Ky	Superan'd.
Dee, James G	Fairfield	1881	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Dew, James P	Kan. City, Kan.	1856	Indiana	1864	W. Va	Superan'd.
Deweese, John W	Dahlgren		Kentucky.	1895		Effective.
Dewhirst, Andr'w J.	Louisville	1889	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Donovan, John L		1898	S. Illinois		Illinois	Supernu'y.
Dundas, John W	Sandoval	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Eason, James N	Kane		Free Meth. Ch.			Effective.
Eaton, Thomas A	Kan. City, Kan.	1852	S. Illinois		Ky	Superan'd.
Edwards, Wm. W	Troy	1885	S. Illinois		Illinois	Supernu'y.
Farmer, Zelah J	Coultervile	1890	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Flint, John W	Salem	1877	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Ford, John H	Marion	1881	Kentucky.	1886	Ky	Effective.
Franklin, Jos. W	Pinckneyville	1871	Kentucky.	1882	Illinois	Superan'd.
Ford, Benjamin F.	Makanda		U. B. Church		Ky	Effective.
Gillham, John D	Centralia	1858	S. Illinois		Illinois	Superan'd.
Gooch, James C	Donnellson	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Green, Silas	Jonesboro	1862	Kansas	1882	Ohio	Effective.
Groves, Grant E	Tamaroa	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Groves, Simon P.	Sumner	1862	S. Illinois		Ohio	Effective.
Hale, William G	West Liberty	1885	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Hall, Claude C	Crab Orchard	1896	Kentucky.	1899	Ky	Effective.
Hall, James S	Walnut Hill	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Hampton, Jos. A	Shipman	1876	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Harmon, John F	Mt. Vernon	1884	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Harmon, Josiah G.	Nashville	1894	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Harper, Lewis A	Mt. Erie	1860	S. Illinois		Illinois	Superan'd.
Harris, Albert	Farina	1887	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Harris, David T	Beaver Creek	1891	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Hennessey, Jno. D.	Pinckneyville	1885	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Herdman, Thos. H.	Lebanon	1867	S. Illinois		Penn	Effective.
Hiser, Henry O	Calhoun	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Hoar, Benjamin A	Grayville	1885	S. Illinois		Ohio	Effective.
Holley, Thomas O.	Benton	1894	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Hopper, Wm. J	Norris City	1891	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
House, Micajah	Greenville	1859	S. Illinois		Illinois	Superan'd.
Huffman, John T	Mill Shoals	1886	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Hunter, John K	Elco	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Jackson, John W	McLeansboro	1884	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
James, Albert W.	Allendale	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Johnston, Ulys's G.	Brighton	1891	S. Illinois		Ohio	Effectivs.
Jones, John H	Litchfield	1884	S. Illinois		England	Effective.
Jones, Wm. L	Mulb'ry Grove	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.

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Joy, Ephraim	Centralia	1844	Illinois	1852	Illinois.	Superan'd.
Keith, Harvey H	Walshville	1857	Upper Iowa	1883	Indiana.	Superan'd.
Kiesling, Willard	Hutsonville	1890	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Keplinger, Peter R.	Evanston	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Kimball, Clar'ce O.	Edwardsville	1896	S Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
King, N. L	Johnsonville	1843	Kentucky.			Superan'd.
Kirkpatrick, W. V.	Opdyke	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Kinison, Josiah C.	Mt. Vernon	1891	S. Illinois		Kansas	Effective.
Large, Jas. Arthur	Upper Alton	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Laughlin, R. W	Tunnel Hill	1857	S. Illinois		Ky	Superan'd.
Leatherman, J. A	Mulb'ry Grove	1885	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Supernu'y.
Leeper, John	Lawrenceville.	1858	S. Illinois		Ohio	Effective.
Lingenfelter, C. D.	Clay City	1856	S. Illinois		Ky	Superan'd.
Lingenfelter, V. D.	Kinmundy	1857	S. Illinois		Ky	Superan'd.
Littell, Andrew J	Vienna	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Little, Daniel J	Alma	1884	S. Illinois		Tenn	Effective.
Loar, Melvin H	Huey	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Loy, Frank W	Olney	1882	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Manifold, Henry	St. Louis, Mo.	1857	S. Illinois		Penn	Superan'd.
Margrave, Wm. D.	Crossville	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Maxey, Albert S	Marissa	1897	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
McCammon, C. D.	Mt. Vernon	1898	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
McCammon, Geo. E	Evanston	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
McCracken, J. E.	Belknap	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
McCollom, C. S.	Troy	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
McGriff, J. H	Olney	1869	Holston	1877	Penn	Superan'd.
McIntosh, S. A	Bone Gap	1888	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
McIntosh, Wm. D	Steeleville	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
McMorrow, Wm	Mulb'ry Grove	1869	S. Illinois		Virginia	Superan'd.
McMurray, Irvin	Duncanville	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
McNeill, J. W	Centralia		Tennessee	1890	Tenn	Effective.
Merrick, Henry L.	Evanston	1898	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Moore, Andrew A	Shobonier	1899	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Morris, Charles O.	Jeffersonville	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
Morris, William T	Metropolis	1883	S. Illinois		Tenn	Effective.
Mulvaney, Jas. M	Saylor Springs	1888	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Superan'd.
Murken, John T	Beaucoup	1889	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Nall, James W	St. Elmo	1855	S. Illinois		N. C.	Superan'd.
Nash, Calloway	Jerseyville	1867	S. Illinois		Tenn	Effective.
Neil, William H	Eldorado	1894	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Nickerson, Jos. E.	Odin	1887	S. Illinois		Ohio	Effective.
Oglesby, Daniel	Richview	1856	S. Illinois			Superan'd.
Orr, James C	Lebanon	1886	Kentucky.	1886	Ky	Supernu'y.
Park, Gye	Gillespie	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Perrin, Daniel A	Normal		C. Illinois	1894		Supernu'y.
Pierce, Benj'min R.	Epworth	1857	S. Illinois		Ky	Superan'd.
Pierce, Reuben E.	Epworth	1884	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.
Pitkin, Alfred H	Altamont	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois.	Effective.

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Pool, William H	Albion	1892	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Porter, Lawson W	Clay City	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Powers, Milo N	Mt. Vernon	1862	S. Illinois		Illinois	Supernu'y.
Powis, William	Patoka	1880	Kentucky.	1886	England	Effective.
Proctor, Alex'r G	Ridgway	1899	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Randle, George W.	Bethalto	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Ransom, Albert	Newton	1852	S. Illinois		N. Y	Superan'd.
Ravenscroft, J. B	Greenville	1869	S. Illinois		England	Effective.
Ravenscroft, W. E	Edwardsville	1857	Indiana		England	Superan'd.
Reef, John R	Carbondale	1870	S. Illinois		Illinois	Superan'd.
Reid, James Y	Carmi	1887	S. Illinois		Ky	Effective.
Robertson, Ressho	Chester	1894	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Robinson, Jas. A	Centralia	1851	Illinois	1852	Illinois	Superan'd.
Rogers, S. A. D	Mound City	1898	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Rutherford, Jos. P	Hagerstown	1859	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Sabine, Charles W.	Murphysboro	1868	S. Illinois		Ohio	Effective.
Scarritt, Jotham A.	Cairo	1853	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Scawthon, Geo. W.	Ashley	1869	S. Illinois		England	Effective.
Sears, Hiram	Berea, Ohio	1853	S. Illinois		Ohio	Superan'd.
Seed, George A	Sparta	1878	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Shepherd, Geo. W.	Alton	1886	S. Illinois		Ky	Effective.
Shouse, Douglas	St. Elmo	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Shouse, Th'rm'n F.	Coffeen	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Shumard, Chas. D	Belleville	1890	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Smith, Benjamin S.	Equality	1889	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Smith, Lawrence	Anna	1892	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Smith, Philip A	Elizabethtown	1898	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Smith, Samuel S	Corinth	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Spragg, Charles H	Maunie	1897	S. Illinois			Effective.
Stauffer, Nelson	Casey	1877	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Sheffer, Benjm'n F.	Keensburg		Church South			Effective.
Sweeny, Nelson D.	Trenton	1895	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Taylor, John A	Carmi	1892	S. Illinois		Ky	Effective.
Tennyson, John W.	Piasa	1892	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Thomson, Fred. L.	Flora	1868	S. Illinois		Tenn	Effective.
Thrall, Leonidas	Lebanon	1871	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Thrapp, James A	Vandalia	1858	S. Illinois		Ohio	Superan'd.
Tilroe, William	Flat Rock	1869	S. Illinois		Holland	Superan'd.
Timmons, Elijah B.	New Burnside.	1892	Kentucky.	1899	Ky	Effective.
Tucker, James G	Vandalia	1896	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Turner, Samuel E.	Oblong		St. John's Riv.	1891	Illinois	Effective.
Utley, Benjamin F.	Thebes	1899	S. Illinois			Effective.
VanCleve, Jos. W	E. St. Louis	1882	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
VanCleve, William	Olney	1866	S. Illinois		N. J	Superan'd.
Vandaveer, Albert	Xenia	1888	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
VanHouten, A. W.	Claremont	1884	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
VanTreese, F. M	Lebanon	1869	S. Illinois		Indiana.	Effective.
Waggoner, Geo. W.	Upper Alton	1856	S. Illinois		Tenn	Superan'd.

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Walker, Levi S	Richview	1859	S. Illinois		Illinois	Superan'd.
Wallar, James L	Centralia	1867	S. Illinois		Ohio	Superan'd.
Wallis, William	Effingham	1867	S. Illinois		Ireland	Effective.
Walton, William C.	Lebanon	1894	S. Illinois			Effective.
Webster, John W	Mason	1896	S. Illinois		Tenn	Effective.
Weeden, John	Bartley, Neb.	1863	S. Illinois			Superan'd.
Weber, George M	Ramsey			1897		Effective.
West, Fletcher L	Mt. Carmel	1886	S. Illinois		N. J	Effective.
Westerman, Jno. A.	Sumner	1898	S. Illinois			Effective.
Whitesides, C. B	Shawneetown	1897	S. Illinois			Effective.
Whitzel, George M.	Hutchinson, Kan	1875	S. Illinois		Ohio	Supernu'y.
Wilkerson, Geo. N.	Saylor Springs	1896	S. Illinois			Effective.
Wilkin, Lafaye'e C.	Noble	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Woodley, Robt. D	Lebanon	1883	Church South	1885	N. C	Effective.
Wright, Owen	Cisne	1899	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Wylder, John L	Upper Alton	1887	S. Illinois		Illinois	Supernu'y.
Wynant, Chas. W		1895	S. Illinois		Ohio	Supernu'y.
Yingst, Adam		1889	S. Illinois		Illinois	Supernu'y.
York, Charles L	Granite City	1889	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Young, Hiram H	Bunker Hill	1893	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Young, Sherman P.	Salem	1892	S. Illinois		Illinois	Effective.
Yungling, John P		1873	S. Illinois		Illinois	Supernu'y.

PROBATIONERS OF CONFERENCE.

NAME.	POST-OFFICE.	Year Admitted.	Class.
Campbell, Arthur B	Bloomfield	1897	Second.
Carson, Robert P	Venice	1898	Second.
Clark, Edward O	Montrose	1898	Second.
Decker, Wilbur L	Irvington	1898	Second.
Freeman, Edward M	Plainview	1898	Second.
Goodman, George R	Central City	1896	Third.
Greer, George	Waterloo	1897	Second.
Johnson, William M.	West Salem	1898	Second.
Kepley, Samuel O	Hagerstown	1898	Second.
McMullen, Charles O	Johnsonville	1899	First.
Nuckolls, Robert L	Lebanon	1899	First.
Rhein, William L	Avena	1898	Second.
Tritt, Claude S	Wheeler	1897	Third.
Turner, James W	Evanston	1896	Second.
Watson, James E	Lebanon	1898	First.
White, Van C	Brownstown	1896	First.
Young, Robert S	Boston, Mass	1897	Second.

MINISTERS' WIDOWS.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
Allyn, Mrs. H	Metropolis	Massac	Illinois.
Allyn, Mrs. N	Springfield	Sangamon	Illinois.
Armstrong, Mrs. I. S	Cairo	Alexander	Illinois.
Brannum, Mrs. W. T	Kinmundy	Marion	Illinois.
Burkitt, Mrs. W. L	Orchardville	Clay	Illinois.
Campbell, Mrs. A	St. Louis	St. Louis	Missouri.
Cliffe, Mrs. W	Olney	Richland	Illinois.
Clifford, Mrs. Z. S	Equality	Gallatin	Illinois.
Crenshaw, Mrs. J. D	Makanda	Jackson	Illinois.
Douthitt, Mrs. C. T	Patoka	Marion	Illinois.
Downey, Mrs. A. L	Marlow	Jefferson	Illinois.
Earp, Mrs. J	Lebanon	St. Clair	Illinois.
English, Mrs. L. C	Robinson	Crawford	Illinois.
Farmer, Mrs. G. W	Rosebud	Pope	Illinois.
Field, Mrs. J. W	Indianapolis	Marion	Indiana.
Gibson, Mrs. J	Creston		Iowa.
Gillham, Mrs. J	Sacramento	White	Illinois.
Hamilton, Mrs. P. P	Duquoin	Perry	Illinois.
Hawk, Mrs. J. L	Tamaroa	Perry	Illinois.
Holliday, Mrs. C. M	O'Fallon	St. Clair	Illinois.
Houts, Mrs. C. J	Chicago	Cook	Illinois.
Jay, Mrs. C. F	Steeleville	Randolph	Illinois.
Jones, Mrs. O. V	Lebanon	St. Clair	Illinois.
Locke, Mrs. J. W	Lebanon	St. Clair	Illinois.
McIntosh, Mrs. J. W	Grayville	White	Illinois.
Miller, Mrs. D. R	Farina	Fayette	Illinois.
Mitchell, Mrs. W. W	Highland	Madison	Illinois.
Nall, Mrs. R. J	Olney	Richland	Illinois.
Nesbitt, Mrs. A. B	Olney	Richland	Illinois.
Reynolds, Mrs. J. B	Edgar		Nebraska.
Robbins, Mrs. G. W	Tampa		Florida.
Root, Mrs. E	Lebanon	St. Clair	Illinois.
Snell, Mrs. Asa	Edwardsville	Madison	Illinois.
Thatcher, Mrs. J	Lebanon	St. Clair	Illinois.
Thompson, Mrs. J. B	Salem	Marion	Illinois.
Tolle, Mrs. C. J. T	Patoka	Marion	Illinois.
Waggoner, Mrs. E. E	St. Elmo	Fayette	Illinois.
Walker, Mrs. Samuel	Carlyle	Clinton	Illinois.
Williamson, Mrs. D	Watson	Effingham	Illinois.

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE DECEASED.

NAMES.	NATIVITY.		ENTERED TRAVELING CONNECTION.		DECEASED.	
	Where.	When.	Conference.	When.	Where.	When.
Haley, James W	Kentucky		Illinois		Alton, Ill	1855
Allyn, Henry	Connecticut	1813	S. Illinois	1851	Nashville, Ill	1855
Kendall, John D		1824	S. Illinois	1853	Fairview, Ill	1858
Massey, James M	Tennessee	1809	Illinois	1831	Marion Co., Ill	1858
Vest, James	Tennessee	1801	Illinois	1850	Mascoutah, Ill	1859
Maxey, William H	Illinois	1823	S. Illinois	1836	Xenia, Ill	1859
Chandler, Thos. W		1799	Kentucky	1827	Alton, Ill	1860
Shepherd, John	Pennsylvania	1789	Illinois	1836	Williamson Co., Ill	1861
McCord, Charles A	Kentucky	1813	S. Illinois	1853	Tamaroa, Ill	1861
Calnan, John	Ireland	1833	S. Illinois	1860	Alton, Ill	1861
Ayers, R. G	Ohio	1837	S. Illinois	1858	Equality, Ill	1862
Walls, F. T			Illinois	1848		1862
Shepherd, Moses			Illinois	1851	Duquoin, Ill	1862
Glaze, John	Ohio	1811	S. Illinois	1862	Albion, Ill	1863
Allyn, Norman	Connecticut	1810	Illinois	1836	Bunker Hill, Ill	1864
Babbitt, Carlisle	Vermont	1808	Kentucky	1831	Olney, Ill	1864
Nall, Richard J	North Carolina	1818	Illinois	1839	Lawrenceville, Ill	1864
Huggins, W. C	Ohio	1825	S. Illinois	1857	Equality, Ill	1865
Holt, John			S. Illinois	1852	Hebron, Ill	1866
Cliffe, William	England		Illinois	1843	Olney, Ill	1866
Spencer, Travis O			S. Illinois	1859	Duquoin, Ill	1866
Mitchell, Wm. W	Virginia	1816	Illinois	1854	Richview, Ill	1869
Thatcher, John	Connecticut	1806	Missouri	1835	Mt. Erie, Ill	1869
Hamilton, Presley P.	Illinois	1824	S. Illinois	1853	Litchfield, Ill	1869
Frazer, John	Ireland	1803	New York	1831	Lebanon, Ill	1871
Morrison, Jonas S	New York	1836	S. Illinois	1859	Shipman, Ill	1871
Corrington, Wm. H.	Kentucky	1826	S. Illinois	1863	Belleville, Ill	1872
Richardson, Jas. I	Tennessee	1808	Illinois	1827	Marion Co., Ill	1872
Lambert, Cavey	England	1809	Illinois	1851	Grayville, Ill	1872
Clifford, Zelotes S	N. Hampshire	1815	Indiana	1843	New Haven	1872
Copeland, James	Missouri	1836	S. Illinois	1867	Lebanon, Ill	1872
Walker, Wm. S. C	Tennessee	1830	S. Illinois	1865	McLeansboro, Ill	1873
Powell, Joseph S			Alabama		Clay City, Ill	1873
Taylor, Wm. R	Illinois	1836	S. Illinois	1860	Spring Garden, Ill	1873
Greenlaw, Lowell M.	New York	1850	S. Illinois	1879	Flora, Ill	1883
Armstrong, I. S	Ohio	1824	S. Illinois	1869	Noble, Ill	1874
Risley, Asahel L	Kentucky	1804	Indiana	1827	Lebanon, Ill	1874
Randle, Thomas					Upper Alton, Ill	1874
Van Cleve, John	New Jersey	1804	Illinois	1828	New York	1875
Hawley, Nelson	Ohio	1807	Illinois	1842	Middletown, Ohio	1875
Dickson, Wm. C	Kentucky	1838	S. Illinois	1867	Olney, Ill	1877
Jay, Charles F	Pennsylvania	1802	S. Illinois	1801	Steeleville, Ill	1878
Van Winkle, D. B	Illinois	1832	S. Illinois	1860	Duquoin, Ill	1878
Williamson, D	Virginia		Indiana	1846	Watson, Ill	1878
Campbell, A	Pennsylvania	1811	S. Illinois	1853	Freeburg, Ill	1879
Deneen, W. L	Pennsylvania		Illinois	1828	Lebanon, Ill	1879
Walker, Simeon	Georgia	1802	Illinois	1830	Carbondale, Ill	1880
Harrington, S. J	Pennsylvania	1845	S. Illinois	1873	Elsah, Ill	1880
Robbins, G. W	Georgia	1800	Kentucky	1821	Richview, Ill	1880
Corrington, J. B	Kentucky	1801	Illinois	1840	St. Louis, Mo	1880
Holliday, C. M	Kentucky	1807	Kentucky	1825	O'Fallon, Ill	1881
Houts, C. J	Kentucky	1812	Illinois	1838	Metropolis, Ill	1881
Johnson, James	Kentucky	1809	Illinois	1848	Patoka, Ill	1881
Lopas, T. C	England	1808	Illinois	1839	Greenville, Ill	1881
Delicate, H	England	1842	S. Illinois	1872	Wanda, Ill	1882
Whitaker, W. F	Indiana	1842	S. Illinois	1870	Belleville, Ill	1882

DECEASED MEMBERS.—Continued.

NAMES.	NATIVITY.		ENTERED TRAVELING CONNECTION.		DECEASED.	
	Where.	When.	Conference.	When.	Where.	When.
Nesbit, A. B.	Indiana	1813	Indiana	1841	Olney, Ill	1883
Johnson, J. T	Tennessee	1805	Illinois	1825	Mt. Vernon, Ill	1884
Farmer, G. W	North Carolina	1838	S. Illinois	1866	Anna, Ill	1884
Reynolds, J. B	Illinois	1834	Illinois	1856	Salem, Ill	1885
Jones, O. V	Kentucky	1824	S. Illinois	1866	Lebanon, Ill	1885
English, L. C	New Jersey	1818	Illinois	1851	Robinson, Ill	1886
Luthrop, Erastus	Vermont	1813	Indiana	1846	Moravia, Iowa	1886
Woolard, J. B	North Carolina	1804	Illinois	1836	Mulberry Grove, Ill	1887
Gibson, Josiah	Virginia	1817	Pittsburg	1843	Creston, Iowa	1888
Hill, J. H	Ohio	1816	Illinois	1847	Lebanon, Ill	1889
Caldwell, J. W	Kentucky	1825	Illinois	1849	Kane, Ill	1890
Caughlin, David	Virginia	1824	Illinois	1871	O'Fallon, Ill	1890
Tolle, C. J. T	Kentucky	1825	Illinois	1847	Patoka, Ill	1890
Lowe, J. W	Kentucky		Illinois	1852	Preston, Kan	1890
Downey, A. L	Indiana		Kentucky	1854	Marlow, Ill	1893
Gillham, J	Illinois	1810	Illinois	1834	Sacramento, Ill	1892
Johnson, T. N	Illinois	1816	S. Illinois	1857	Vergennes, Ill	1892
Brannum, W. T	Illinois	1837	S. Illinois	1888	Kinmundy, Ill	1892
Casey, L	Illinois	1825	S. Illinois	1856	Centralia, Ill	1893
Root, E	Virginia	1832	S. Illinois	1878	Lebanon, Ill	1893
Allyn, Robert	Connecticut	1817	N. England	1842	Carbondale, Ill	1894
Hawk, J. L	Ohio	1838	Kentucky	1889	Jonesboro, Ill	1894
Earp, Joseph	England	1820	S. Illinois	1854	Lebanon, Ill	1894
Waggoner, E. F	Illinois	1862	S. Illinois	1893	Staunton, Ill	1894
Randle, Richard	Georgia	1798	S. Illinois	1853	Christian Co., Ill	1895
Miller, D. R	Ohio	1861	S. Illinois	1894	Enfield, Ill	1895
Locke, J. W	Kentucky	1822	Ohio	1845	Kansas City, Kan	1895
Douthitt, C. T	Indiana	1847	S. Illinois	1893	Patoka, Ill	1896
Thompson, J. B	Maryland	1842	S. Illinois	1875	Salem, Ill	1896
Blair, F. O	Massachusetts	1822	S. Illinois	1866	Trinidad, Col	1896
Crenshaw, J. D	Kentucky	1846	Kentucky	1876	Makanda, Ill	1896
Cullom, G. W	Illinois	1816	S. Illinois	1855	Avena, Ill	1897
Walker, Samuel	Illinois	1823	S. Illinois	1859	Carlyle, Ill	1897
Snell, Asa	Illinois	1827	S. Illinois	1857	Edwardsville, Ill	1898
McIntosh, J. W	Indiana	1841	S. Illinois	1886	Grayville, Ill	1898
Mapes, Charles	Ohio	1817	Indiana	1841	Henderson, Ky	1898
Bliss, Alfred	Vermont	1811	S. Illinois	1854	Effingham, Ill	1899
Burkitt, Wm. L	Illinois	1841	S. Illinois	1888	Beecher City, Ill	1899

SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE.

No. Session	Date.	Place.	Bishop.	Secretary.	Statistician.
1	Oct. 27, 1852	Belleville	E. R. Ames	J. Leaton	(*)
2	Oct. 26, 1853	Mt. Carmel	L. Scott	J. Leaton	
3	Sept. 27, 1854	Mt. Vernon	E. R. Ames	J. Leaton	
4	Sept. 26, 1855	Alton	E. S. Janes	J. Leaton	
5	Oct. 1, 1856	Salem	M. Simpson	J. Leaton	
6	Sept. 23, 1857	Lebanon	L. Scott	M. Shepherd	
7	Oct. 6, 1858	Olney	T. A. Morris	M. Shepherd	
8	Sept. 29, 1859	Richview	E. R. Ames	M. Shepherd	J. Leeper.
9	Oct. 17, 1860	Bunker Hill	M. Simpson	M. Shepherd	J. Leeper.
10	Oct. 3, 1861	Salem	E. S. Janes	J. Leeper	J. D. Gillham.
11	Oct. 1, 1862	Alton	E. R. Ames	J. W. Caldwell	J. W. Nall.
12	Sept. 23, 1863	Mt. Carmel	O. C. Baker	J. W. Caldwell	J. W. Nall.
13	Sept. 23, 1864	Belleville	E. S. Janes	J. W. Caldwell	J. W. Nall.
14	Sept. 27, 1865	Olney	L. Scott	J. W. Caldwell	J. W. Nall.
15	Sept. 19, 1866	Centralia	E. Thomson	R. Allyn	J. W. Lane.
16	Sept. 25, 1867	Richfield	E. R. Ames	J. W. Caldwell	J. W. Lane.
17	Sept. 10, 1868	Duquoin	E. S. Janes	J. W. Caldwell	J. W. Lane.
18	Sept. 15, 1869	Vandalia	E. Thomson	R. Allyn	J. W. Lane.
19	Sept. 14, 1870	Lebanon	M. Simpson	R. Allyn	J. W. Lane.
20	Sept. 27, 1871	Cairo	L. Scott	R. Allyn	J. W. Lane.
21	Oct. 2, 1872	Mt. Vernon	T. Bowman	R. Allyn	J. P. Dew.
22	Oct. 1, 1873	Jerseyville	I. W. Wiley	R. Allyn	T. H. Herdman.
23	Sept. 23, 1874	Mt. Carmel	L. Scott	R. Allyn	J. Harris.
24	Sept. 8, 1875	Centralia	R. S. Foster	T. H. Herdman	J. Harris.
25	Sept. 13, 1876	Olney	M. Simpson	T. H. Herdman	J. Harris.
26	Sept. 27, 1877	Mt. Vernon	J. T. Peck	T. H. Herdman	W. Wallis.
27	Sept. 25, 1878	Alton	S. M. Merrill	T. H. Herdman	W. Wallis.
28	Sept. 10, 1879	Salem	E. G. Andrews	T. H. Herdman	W. Wallis.
29	Sept. 1, 1880	Fairfield	C. D. Foss	T. H. Herdman	W. Wallis.
30	Aug. 31, 1881	Greenville	J. F. Hurst	T. H. Herdman	E. A. Hoyt.
31	Sept. 20, 1882	Mt. Vernon	M. Simpson	F. M. VanTreese.	E. A. Hoyt.
32	Sept. 19, 1883	Belleville	T. Bowman	F. M. VanTreese.	E. A. Hoyt.
33	Sept. 24, 1884	Fairfield	R. S. Foster	F. M. VanTreese.	E. A. Hoyt.
34	Sept. 24, 1885	Edwardsville	W. X. Ninde	F. M. VanTreese.	E. A. Hoyt.
35	Sept. 23, 1886	Vandalia	J. M. Walden	O. H. Clark	E. A. Hoyt.
36	Sept. 13, 1887	Olney	C. D. Foss	O. H. Clark	J. W. Van Cleve.
37	Sept. 26, 1888	E. St. Louis	J. P. Newman	O. H. Clark	J. W. Van Cleve.
38	Oct. 9, 1889	Carbondale	S. M. Merrill	O. H. Clark	J. W. Van Cleve.
39	Oct. 1, 1890	Mt. Carmel	T. Bowman	O. H. Clark	J. W. Van Cleve.
40	Sept. 23, 1891	Mt. Vernon	H. W. Warren	O. H. Clark	J. W. Van Cleve.
41	Sept. 28, 1892	Belleville	R. S. Foster	J. W. Van Cleve	J. G. Dee.
42	Sept. 26, 1893	Flora	C. H. Fowler	J. W. Van Cleve	J. G. Dee.
43	Sept. 26, 1894	M'Leansboro	W. F. Mallalieu	J. W. Van Cleve	J. Y. Reid.
44	Sept. 18, 1895	Metropolis	I. W. Joyce	J. W. Van Cleve	J. Y. Reid.
45	Sept. 16, 1896	Jerseyville	J. N. FitzGerald	J. W. Van Cleve	J. Y. Reid.
46	Sept. 22, 1897	Mt. Vernon	S. M. Merrill	J. W. Van Cleve	J. Y. Reid.
47	Oct. 5, 1898	Duquoin	D. A. Goodsell	J. W. Van Cleve	J. Y. Reid.
48	Sept. 27, 1899	Mt. Carmel	E. G. Andrews	J. W. Van Cleve	J. Y. Reid.

* For the first seven years of the Conference the Secretary or Assistant did the work of the Statistician.

LIST OF DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

From Southern Illinois Conference Since Its Organization in 1852.

1856.

Delegates—John Van Cleve, James Leaton, James B. Corrington.
Alternates—Norman Allyn, Wm. Cliffe.

1860.

Delegates—Wm. Cliffe, John Van Cleve, James B. Corrington, James A. Robinson.
Alternates—George Boeshenz, Ephraim Joy.

1864.

Delegates—Philip Kuhl, Nelson E. Cobleigh, Alfred B. Nisbet, James B. Corrington.
Alternates—Wm. Cliffe, Jotham A. Scarritt.

1868.

Delegates—Thomas A. Eaton, James B. Corrington, Andrew B. Morrison, John W. Lowe.
Alternates—John Van Cleve, Thomas F. Houts.

1872.

Ministerial Delegates—Robert Allyn, George W. Hughey, John Van Cleve, Ephraim Joy, Benjamin R. Pierce.
Alternates—Christopher J. Houts, James A. Robinson.
Lay Delegates—Ethelbert Callahan, Wm. Stoker.
Alternates—Benjamin Hypes, J. P. Johnson.

1876.

Ministerial Delegates—George W. Hughey, John W. Locke, Joseph Earp.
Alternates—Benjamin R. Pierce, John Van Cleve.
Lay Delegates—John H. Gunn, R. W. Metcalfe.
Alternates—J. P. Johnson, J. G. Mitchell.

1880.

Ministerial Delegates—John W. Locke, Thomas H. Herdman, Benjamin R. Pierce.
Alternates—Robert Allyn, Owen H. Clark.
Lay Delegates—Chas. T. Pace, James A. Locke.
Alternates—J. P. Johnson, Calendar Rohrbough.

1884.

Ministerial Delegates—Owen H. Clark, Calloway Nash, Wm. F. Davis.
Alternates—James A. Robinson, James L. Wallar.
Lay Delegates—Morris R. Locke, Calendar Rohrbough.
Alternates—David W. Barkley, Samuel L. Dwight.

1888.

Ministerial Delegates—James L. Wallar, John W. Locke, John Leeper.
Alternates—John D. Gillham, Owen H. Clark.
Lay Delegates—Samuel L. Dwight, Richard W. Lyon.
Alternates—Mrs. T. M. Logan, Mrs. T. B. Needles.

1892.

Ministerial Delegates—Owen H. Clark, Francis M. Van Treese, John D. Gillham.
Alternates—Joseph W. Van Cleve, Wm. Wallis.
Lay Delegates—Albert G. Jepson, Milton R. Smith.
Alternates—David A. Watts, Thomas S. Marshall.

1896.

Ministerial Delegates—Joseph W. Van Cleve, Wm. Wallis, Owen H. Clark, Leonidas W. Thrall.
Alternates—John W. Flint, James G. Dee.
Lay Delegates—H. H. Crozier, M. H. Chamberlin.
Alternates—Thomas S. Marshall, David A. Watts.

1900.

Ministerial Delegates—Joseph W. Van Cleve, John F. Harmon, Leonidas W. Thrall, Francis M. Van Treese.
Alternates—John W. Flint, Wm. Wallis.
Lay Delegates—Thomas S. Marshall, M. H. Chamberlin.
Alternates—Ethelbert Callahan, Calendar Rohrbough.
Provisional Lay Delegates—John M. Mitchell, Presley M. Johnson.
Provisional Alternates—David A. Watts, Cyrus D. Kendall.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

ALTON DISTRICT.

STATISTICS No. 1. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 2.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAP-TISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.							SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.									Current Expenses...
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. Local Preach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Pd. for Building & Improving Ch'rs & Parsonages	P'd on Old Indebtedness on C'h Prop.	Pres't Indebtedness on C'h Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year		
Alton—First Church	14	218	1	2	12	.....	1	20	211	1	$20000	1	$2000	.....	.....	.....	1	20	211	108	.....	20	132	6		$65
Alton—Washington St	12	95	....	4	6	10	1	16	97	1	1600	....	.....	$15	$72	$300	1	16	97	76	.....	16	.....	14		56
Bethalto	22	159	1	2	5	1	2	25	175	1	4600	....	.....	75	.....	.....	2	25	175	100	.....	22	70	.....		70
Brighton	1	200	....	4	3	2	1	17	110	1	5000	1	1500	95	.....	102	1	17	110	70	.....	17	55	.....		60
Bunker Hill	3	98	....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	4500	1	800	80	.....	.....	2	12	80	60	.....	12	.....	.....		38
Coffeen	13	140	2	3	7	23	1	21	161	1	2000	1	1000	555	15	500	2	21	164	108	.....	21	.....	27		45
Donnellson	21	206	3	1	1	19	3	34	220	4	4000	2	900	175	30	.....	3	34	220	170	.....	33	.....	15		75
Edwardsville	11	183	1	2	3	.....	1	21	206	1	15000	1	2500	200	.....	.....	1	21	206	110	.....	20	.....	30		106
Elsah	21	118	1	....	5	1	3	30	205	4	5000	1	1000	40	.....	.....	3	30	205	130	.....	26	90	2		43
Fieldon	24	100	....	....	.....	8	3	19	108	1	700	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	3	19	108	79	.....	16	.....	10		25
Gillespie	.....	195	....	1	.....	15	4	50	260	4	4200	1	600	50	.....	.....	4	50	260	225	.....	50	125	30		65
Godfrey and Piasa	6	144	1	3	1	4	3	38	180	3	3500	1	600	.....	.....	.....	3	38	180	88	.....	36	18	6		39
Grafton	6	175	....	2	9	3	3	34	182	3	3100	1	500	7	.....	140	3	34	182	91	.....	22	46	4		71
Granite City	.....	52	....	1	3	.....	1	15	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	.....	.....	1	15	135	83	.....	15	.....	.....		60
Jerseyville	26	279	....	6	8	3	1	30	291	1	12000	1	3800	222	220	620	1	30	291	161	.....	28	.....	6		265
Kane	6	231	....	2	1	.....	1	19	120	1	5000	1	1100	.....	.....	250	1	19	120	90	.....	18	.....	.....		108
Litchfield	20	325	....	10	1	.....	1	25	350	1	7000	1	1000	50	.....	.....	1	25	350	200	.....	25	.....	.....		75
Litchfield Circuit	1	130	....	2	.....	.....	2	16	80	3	2500	1	700	50	.....	.....	2	16	80	60	.....	16	25	4		12
Medora	14	154	....	5	4	23	2	26	154	2	2700	1	700	75	100	.....	2	26	154	111	.....	25	71	35		59
New Douglas	12	180	....	6	2	2	3	30	200	5	2500	1	450	105	.....	10	3	30	200	150	.....	25	.....	7		40
Plainview	4	44	....	1	.....	.....	1	8	80	1	1200	1	400	.....	.....	.....	1	8	80	55	.....	8	17	.....		40
Ramsey	5	120	....	3	1	3	1	16	110	1	2500	1	900	.....	.....	80	1	16	110	100	.....	16	50	.....		78
Ramsey Circuit	.....	16	....	2	3	.....	3	30	150	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	30	150	80	.....	18	17	1		33
Shipman	9	102	1	1	1	.....	1	19	111	1	2000	1	1000	10	.....	.....	1	19	111	77	5	18	70	.....		42
Staunton	.....	90	....	2	10	14	2	30	150	3	2800	1	600	1500	.....	.....	2	30	150	125	90	30	.....	15		100
Upper Alton	.....	120	....	3	4	1	1	22	140	1	3000	1	1000	15	.....	.....	1	22	140	91	.....	20	39	2		54
Venice	.....	40	....	....	5	1	1	12	100	1	1500	1	800	.....	.....	.....	1	12	100	58	.....	12	.....	.....		54
Totals	251	3974	11	73	95	133	47	623	4322	52	118900	23	21150	3151	437	2002	49	635	1402	2889	95	585	855	214		1778
Last Year	264	4232	17	63	74	169	47	610	4532	54	123250	22	22725	4682	903	1453	47	610	4532	3094	171	547	1557	221		1713
Increase	.....	.....	....	10	21	.....	....	13	.....	.....	.....	1	1425	.....	.....	549	2	25	.....	.....	.....	38	.....	.....		65
Decrease	13	258	6	....	.....	36	.....	.....	210	2	4350	....	.....	1228	466	.....	.....	.....	130	205	76	.....	702	7		.....

ALTON DISTRICT.

STATISTICS No. 3 — SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. — STATISTICS No. 4.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CL'M.	RECEIPTS. Included Sal. house rent, or rent'l val. of Parsonage	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	SUPP'T PRESID ELDE'S. Amount Apport'oned	Amount Paid	SUPP'T OF BISH'S. Amount Apport'oned	Amount Paid	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops	CONF. CLA'T. Rec. fr'm Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church: Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. MISSIONS. (a) Church	(b) Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension	S. S. Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and South'n Ed. Soc.	EDUCA. (a) Public Ed'l Col	(b) Child'n's Fund	Amer. Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Woman's Home Miss. So.	Missionary Debt	Gen'l Conference Ex.
Alton, First Church	M. N. Powers	$1100	$700	$200	$900	$200	$70	$57	$15	$7	$961	$25	.....	$25	$260	$79	$40	$119	$4	$2	$2	$1	$6	.....	$1	$95	...	...	$5	21
Alton, Washington St.	Josiah Able	400	280	.....	280	120	30	30	4	2	312	12	.....	12	52	.....	25	25	6	...	...	1	3	.....	...	...	...	...	...	9
Bethalto	S. E. Turner	522	373	72	445	77	40	37	8	2	484	10	.....	10	90	60	.....	60	1	...	...	...	...	81	...	30	...	...	...	...
Brighton	U. G. Johnston	850	750	100	850	.....	60	60	10	10	920	16	.....	16	125	69	31	100	15	4	4	15	.....	10	...	39	...	...	...	...
Bunker Hill	J. P. Yungling	600	375	100	475	125	48	30	8	1	506	1	.....	1	100	18	.....	18	.....	...	...	...	$1	.....	...	6	...	...	...	...
Coffeen	T. F. Shouse	500	400	100	500	.....	40	40	5	2	512	15	.....	15	86	20	10	30	2	...	...	1	.....	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Donnellson	E. L. Carson	572	482	72	554	18	48	44	6	3	601	12	.....	12	85	34	5	39	3	1	1	3	.....	3	1	7	...	...	...	...
Edwardsville	C. O. Kimball	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	80	80	15	15	1295	60	.....	60	130	113	37	150	20	1	4	20	.....	12	...	.....	...	$15	...	...
Elsah	Edmund Barnes	600	120	80	500	100	48	48	8	5	553	5	.....	5	145	18	7	25	3	1	1	5	.....	1	1	.....	...	...	...	...
Fieldon	H. B. Pollock	315	315	.....	315	.....	20	20	2	.....	335	2	.....	2	.....	8	.....	8	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	...
Gillespie	Guy Park	700	600	100	700	.....	65	65	10	10	775	35	.....	35	170	120	30	150	12	1	4	12	10	.....	2	12	...	...	...	...
Godfrey and Piasa	J. W. Tennyson	575	475	100	575	.....	48	48	8	8	631	30	.....	30	112	32	28	60	12	3	3	12	2	3	...	7	...	...	...	...
Grafton	G. W. Randle	575	376	75	451	124	44	41	7	2	491	7	.....	7	97	.....	5	5	3	1	1	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	20	...
Granite City	C. L. York	820	670	150	820	.....	50	50	5	5	875	10	$10	20	80	25	25	50	6	2	3	6	.....	6	1	1	$2	...	...	...
Jerseyville	G. W. Shepherd	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	80	81	15	10	1291	30	.....	30	200	99	51	150	10	3	3	8	5	8	.....	21	...	59	...	...
Kane	J. E. Nickerson	750	710	100	810	.....	70	70	8	1	914	5	.....	5	111	35	25	60	3	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	1	...	...	...
Litchfield	J. H. Jones	1050	900	150	1050	.....	70	70	10	10	1130	15	.....	15	200	75	50	125	10	2	2	8	2	6	...	24	...	...	...	...
Litchfield Circuit	E. M. Freeman	500	365	60	425	75	50	47	6	2	474	15	.....	15	25	8	5	13	3	1	1	4	1	2	.....	.....	...	...	...	...
Medora	C. Nash	516	500	16	516	.....	50	50	8	8	604	15	.....	15	118	11	6	50	6	1	1	4	.....	2	...	.....	...	...	...	...
New Douglas	R. P. Carson	450	330	50	380	70	52	52	8	1	436	10	.....	10	60	20	11	31	4	1	1	6	1	2	2	.....	...	...	...	...
Plainview	B. R. Pierce	350	325	50	375	.....	29	29	4	3	407	14	.....	14	40	33	3	36	1	1	1	4	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	3
Ramsey	G. M. Webber	600	500	100	600	.....	40	40	8	4	644	10	.....	10	108	30	10	40	5	1	1	5	1	3	...	.....	...	...	...	...
Ramsey Circuit	Samuel Albrecht	305	210	.....	210	95	10	8	2	1	219	1	.....	1	.....	5	2	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	.....	...	...	...	...
Shipman	J. A. Hampton	600	500	100	600	.....	45	45	10	5	650	8	2	10	75	58	17	75	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	.....	...	...	...	...
Staunton	W. R. Bradley	572	500	72	572	.....	48	48	6	.....	620	5	.....	5	130	15	16	31	.....	...	...	3	.....	4	...	.....	...	...	...	...
Upper Alton	J. A. Large	650	430	150	580	70	48	44	8	.....	624	6	.....	6	120	18	17	35	2	...	...	4	3	3	...	.....	...	...	...	...
Venice	A. C. Barton	500	320	120	440	60	30	26	7	.....	466	5	.....	5	.....	5	5	10	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	...
Totals		17402	13836	2547	16383	1131	1313	1260	211	123	17766	433	12	445	2719	1076	464	1540	137	31	37	137	42	94	8	280	3	35	61
Last Year		15961	13057	2299	15356	723	1309	1216	115	88	.....	.....	.....	337	2006	724	386	1110	77	28	26	71	18	99	25	219	32	125	...	...
Increase		1138	779	248	1027	411	4	44	96	35	.....	.....	.....	108	.....	352	78	430	60	6	11	66	24	.....	...	61	...	.....	64	...
Decrease		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	187	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	5	17	.....	...	29	90	...	...

LEBANON DISTRICT.

STATISTICS No. 1. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 2.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.								
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. Local Pr'ach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building & Improving Chur's and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness C'h Prop.	Pres't Indebtedness on C'h Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't	No. of Officers and Teachers Church Members or Probationers who are	No. of Officers and Teachers Church Members or Probationers	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year	Current Expenses
Ashley	13	137	1	3	1	.....	1	14	94	1	$1000	1	$300	$22	.....	.....	1	14	94	60	.....	14	20	2	$31
Beaucoup	6	185	1	3	13	9	3	40	200	4	3600	1	600	99	.....	.....	3	40	200	140	.....	40	.....	10	60
Beaver Creek	8	175	.....	1	1	15	5	45	300	5	3200	1	500	115	.....	.....	5	45	300	175	.....	35	100	25	75
Belleville	6	265	.....	3	13	5	1	30	400	1	10000	1	1500	50	.....	.....	1	30	400	250	.....	26	100	9	100
Carlyle	2	161	.....	1	1	.....	2	17	130	2	5500	1	1000	.....	$265	.....	2	17	130	90	.....	15	40	.....	32
Collinsville	7	182	.....	4	7	1	1	18	200	1	2800	1	1200	245	.....	.....	1	18	200	147	7	17	5	.....	45
Coulterville and Tilden	12	206	.....	3	12	4	2	22	200	2	1800	.....	.....	1400	.....	$1400	2	22	200	160	.....	22	150	.....	40
East St. Louis—Summit Ave	17	345	.....	2	14	4	1	29	317	1	12000	1	4500	86	650	2750	1	29	317	201	.....	26	38	3	164
East St. Louis—Bond Ave	10	88	.....	.....	17	7	1	15	150	1	3000	.....	.....	150	300	600	1	15	150	110	.....	35	.....	12	36
Freeburg	.....	113	.....	.....	7	.....	3	24	175	3	3900	1	1000	15	.....	.....	3	24	175	110	17	23	85	.....	80
Greenville	11	212	.....	6	.....	5	1	26	150	1	5000	1	1600	70	.....	30	2	22	150	115	.....	24	70	2	105
Hagerstown	8	150	.....	2	.....	4	2	22	165	2	2100	1	500	70	.....	.....	2	22	165	105	.....	21	65	8	50
Huey	.....	170	1	3	9	.....	4	35	325	4	3500	1	400	25	25	.....	4	35	325	220	.....	30	75	.....	70
Lebanon	8	190	3	3	5	.....	1	20	195	1	12000	1	3000	1000	.....	.....	1	20	195	125	40	20	150	.....	70
Marissa	15	160	.....	1	6	1	1	20	138	1	2000	1	1000	.....	.....	650	1	20	138	90	.....	20	67	14	98
Mulberry Grove	3	373	1	6	.....	19	3	48	380	3	2400	1	700	250	.....	98	3	48	380	225	20	48	220	19	70
Nashville	1	133	1	.....	.....	4	1	10	105	2	4500	1	800	.....	.....	.....	1	10	105	65	.....	10	10	1	30
O'Fallon	12	89	.....	2	4	.....	1	15	125	1	4000	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	1	15	125	90	.....	15	.....	2	60
Okawville	.....	46	.....	.....	4	.....	1	12	65	1	1500	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	1	12	65	40	.....	12	.....	10	22
Pocahontas	22	151	.....	3	9	26	2	32	203	2	2000	1	600	12	.....	.....	2	32	203	151	.....	31	76	47	49
Richview	8	135	.....	.....	6	2	1	16	112	1	2000	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	1	16	112	73	.....	14	40	2	50
Shiloh	.....	11	.....	2	.....	.....	1	3	40	1	5000	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	1	3	40	25	.....	2	.....	.....	10
Sparta	3	136	1	3	4	4	1	16	125	1	2000	1	1000	20	.....	.....	1	16	125	88	.....	16	25	7	54
Summerfield	1	10	.....	.....	1	.....	1	6	30	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	6	30	30	.....	6	2	.....	10
Tamalco	.....	71	.....	1	4	4	3	21	120	3	1500	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	3	21	120	85	.....	7	.....	7	33
Trenton	10	175	.....	.....	7	2	1	18	175	2	3500	1	1500	66	.....	.....	1	18	175	93	.....	18	55	4	77
Troy	5	225	.....	6	.....	.....	3	30	271	3	3900	1	500	.....	.....	.....	3	30	271	150	.....	.....	140	1	72
Waterloo	10	96	1	2	17	1	4	25	145	3	2500	1	750	50	.....	.....	4	25	145	115	13	19	40	.....	80
Totals	198	4390	10	60	162	117	52	629	5035	54	113700	22	25150	6851	1240	5528	52	626	5035	3328	97	566	1573	185	1673
Last Year	292	4355	16	59	156	168	55	680	5326	56	110500	22	25800	12905	1202	5087	55	680	5326	3715	90	644	1095	367	1583
Increase	.....	35	.....	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3200	.....	.....	.....	38	441	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	478	.....	90
Decrease	94	.....	6	.....	.....	51	3	51	291	2	.....	.....	650	6054	.....	.....	3	54	291	387	.....	78	.....	182	.....

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NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CL'M. Includ. Sal, house rent, or rent'l val. of Parsonage	RECEIPTS. Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	SUPP'T PRESID ELDE'S. Amount Appor-tioned	Amount Paid	SUPP'T OF BISH'S. Amount Appor-tioned	Amount Paid	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops	CONF. CLA'T. Rec. fr'm Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church; Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. MISSIONS. (a) Church	(b) Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension	S. S. Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and South'n Ed. Soc.	EDUCA. (a) Public Edt'l Col	(b) Child'n's Fund	Amer. Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Wom. Home Miss. So.	Missionary Debt	Gen'l Conference Ex.
Ashley	G. W. Scawthon	$500	$400	$100	$500	.....	$10	$40	$6	$1	$541	$6	.....	$6	$74	$15	$10	$25	$1	...	...	$1	.....	$2	...	.....	...	...	$1
Beaucoup	J. T. Murken	500	371	50	421	$79	50	43	6	3	466	10	.....	10	60	31	.....	34	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...
Beaver Creek	D. T. Harris	535	475	60	530	.....	50	50	5	3	588	16	$9	25	57	50	12	62	3	$1	$2	3	.....	$1	.....	.....	...	...	...
Belleville	J. W. Flint	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	100	100	20	12	1312	55	.....	55	250	140	60	200	10	3	3	10	.....	7	6	$72	...	...	4
Carlyle	M. L. Cole	600	500	100	600	.....	64	64	10	5	669	20	.....	20	100	48	17	65	5	3	2	15	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	5
Collinsville	J. D. Hennessey	850	650	200	850	.....	64	64	10	3	917	25	.....	25	125	52	12	64	3	...	1	3	.....	3	...	4	...	...	...
Coulterville & Tilden	W. H. Neil	660	525	60	585	75	40	40	5	1	626	8	.....	8	100	15	.....	15	3	...	...	2	1	.....	...	.....	...	...	...
E. St. Louis, Sum'it Av	J. W. Van Cleve	1600	1200	400	1600	.....	120	120	15	10	1730	40	.....	40	484	75	50	125	10	5	5	10	.....	12	...	.....	...	...	...
E. St. Louis, Bond Av.	J. M. Adams	660	540	120	660	.....	40	40	5	1	701	10	.....	10	60	20	10	30	1	...	...	1	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...
Freeburg	C. E. Baker	500	400	100	500	.....	32	32	5	5	537	15	2	17	90	40	5	45	5	3	2	3	.....	4	13	2	$1	...	...
Greenville	C. D. Shumard	970	850	120	970	.....	85	85	10	10	1065	50	.....	50	220	103	22	125	15	5	5	15	.....	7	...	63	...	...	8
Hagerstown	S. O. Kepley	425	330	50	380	45	40	37	5	4	421	8	1	9	65	23	6	29	4	1	1	3	.....	2	...	6	...	...	2
Huey	Adam Yingst	515	437	50	487	28	60	49	10	2	537	13	.....	13	100	12	8	20	1	1	1	.....	.....	3	...	.....	...	...	1
Lebanon	F. W. Loy	1000	800	200	1000	.....	80	80	10	8	1088	50	.....	50	214	68	32	100	10	1	1	5	.....	6	3	92	...	...	5
Marissa	A. S. Maxey	600	500	100	600	.....	40	40	5	5	645	20	.....	20	86	35	15	50	5	1	1	5	.....	6	3	92	...	...	5
Mulberry Grove	W. L. Jones	510	450	60	510	.....	50	50	8	5	565	12	8	20	120	37	14	51	3	1	2	3	.....	4	17	14	...	...	2
Nashville	C. W. Casely	850	750	100	850	.....	64	64	10	5	919	12	.....	12	149	20	12	32	2	1	1	5	.....	1	...	.....	...	...	5
O'Fallon	J. B. Cummins	525	405	120	525	....	40	40	5	2	567	5	.....	5	90	26	10	36	2	1	1	5	.....	1	1	.....	...	...	2
Okawville	Owen Wright	300	300	.....	300	.....	30	30	4	.....	330	9	.....	9	75	27	8	35	5	1	1	2	.....	2	1	9	...	...	2
Pocahontas	J. E. Burk	500	425	50	475	25	50	50	6	3	528	19	.....	19	70	49	10	59	3	2	2	3	.....	5	...	.....	...	...	2
Richview	Z. J. Farmer	500	500	.....	500	.....	40	40	5	2	542	10	.....	10	90	21	10	31	2	2	1	3	.....	2	...	.....	...	...	2
Shiloh	J. W. Dundas	350	250	100	350	.....	20	12	2	.....	362	2	.....	2	25	.....	2	2	.....	...	...	.....	.....	2	...	.....	...	...	...
Sparta	G. A. Seed	600	500	100	600	.....	40	40	5	2	642	20	.....	20	57	18	12	30	2	1	1	3	2	.....	...	1	...	...	1
Summerfield	T. H. Herdman	125	90	.....	90	.....	10	10	5	1	101	2	.....	2	18	4	1	5	1	...	...	.....	.....	1	...	6	...	...	...
Tamalco	W. M. Elligood	250	200	.....	200	50	25	25	5	1	226	3	3	6	.....	20	.....	20	.....	...	1	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	...
Trenton	N. D. Sweeney	600	500	100	600	.....	50	50	10	4	654	22	.....	22	91	83	20	103	10	1	1	15	.....	6	...	86	...	...	5
Troy	C. S. McCollom	550	500	50	550	.....	50	50	10	3	603	14	.....	14	126	39	10	49	5	1	1	5	2	.....	...	.....	...	...	...
Waterloo	N. B. Hodsdon	550	440	75	515	35	40	40	5	2	557	15	.....	15	125	7	14	21	2	1	...	2	.....	2	2	.....	...	...	...
Totals		17325	14288	2665	16953	337	1414	1385	187	105	18439	491	.....	514	3111	1081	382	1463	113	35	35	118	9	67	59	340	1	.....	52
Last Year		17212	14213	2580	16793	470	1400	1377	173	79	.....	.....	.....	505	3096	971	384	1355	114	33	33	108	18	66	80	333	...	38	...
Increase		113	75	85	160	.....	14	8	14	26	.....	.....	.....	9	15	110	.....	108	.....	...	2	10	.....	1	...	7	1	.....	52
Decrease		.....	.....	.....	.....	133	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	3	...	.....	9	.....	21	.....	...	38	...

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAPTISMS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.									
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. Local Preach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building & Improving Churs. and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness, Ch Prop.	Pres't Indebtedness on Ch Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year	Current Expenses
Belmont	9	306	1	1	9	17	3	17	272	3	$2500	1	$500				3	17	272	160		47		20	$63
Big Prairie	12	98				28	1	10	75	1	10000	1	800	$8200			1	10	75	45	30	10	10	5	10
Carmi	9	300	1	4		8	1	21	296	1	1800	1	2000	74			1	21	296	180		21		10	85
Carrier Mills	11	155	2	3		25	1	26	225	5	2600			150			1	26	225	160		25		7	40
Crossville	25	350	2	2		10	1	15	250	5	2800	1	200				4	15	250	170		15		20	85
Dahlgren	20	450		6		26	1	26	313	5	1050	1	600	150			1	26	313	200		20	300	40	50
Eddyville	8	335		16		18	1	39	115	6	3700	1	500	70			5	39	115	390	32	32	250	10	50
El Dorado	12	120		9		1	1	14	150	1	1500	1	800	15	$175		1	11	150	110		11	30	1	25
El Dorado Circuit	19	175	2			18	1	10	115	3	2000						2	10	115	75		10			10
Elizabethtown	39	260	1	5	1	21	2	31	298	3	5000	1	500	200			5	31	298	216		29		12	62
Enfield	2	306		1		2	2	26	260	2	1500	1	500	50	85	$30	2	26	260	210		26	175	3	115
Equality	15	151	1	13		13	2	25	210	2	3000	1	1000		160	60	2	25	210	150		22		9	70
Galatia	15	205	1			20	2	10	175	3	6700	1	800			110	2	10	175	150		175		25	50
Golconda	1	66	1	1		3	1	13	100	1	2000	1	1000		35	568	1	13	100	75		13		3	41
Grayville	10	150				6	1	15	150	1	1500	1	1500				1	15	150	90		15		5	25
Harrisburg	19	195	1	3	15	15	1	21	160	1	1200	1	600		18	800	1	21	160	112		19		80	46
Keensburg	15	107				7	1	29	160	3	3600					750	1	29	160	125		23		11	41
Maunie	15	253	1	1		1	1	14	271	3	3600	1	500	1500			5	14	271	188		44	115	5	45
McLeansboro	6	153	1	1		12	1	17	138	1	4500						1	17	138	100		17	18	50	50
McLeansboro Circuit	2	265	2	2	8	11	1	28	250	5	3700				60	40	1	28	250	200		21		10	30
Metropolis	23	226	1	4	6	15	1	19	216	1	15000	1	700				1	19	216	130		19		13	51
Metropolis Circuit	18	208	1	2	3	11	4	28	216	4	3500	1	200	610			4	28	216	111		27	125	9	28
Mill Shoals																									
Mt. Carmel	23	530		9			1	37	470	1	6000	1	1000				1	37	470	273		37		9	170
New Burnside	14	312	1	5	8	1	5	50	360	6	3600	1	200	200		300	5	50	360	230					75
Norris City	7	367	3	3	9	14	1	36	400	1	3200	1	750	140		660	1	36	400	351		31	250	52	51
Omaha	7	221	2	1	1	1	5	39	251	6	3300	1	600	75			5	39	251	163		31	55	5	61
Ridgway	16	169		1	2	9	1	11	98	2	2100				90		1	11	98	51		10	25	8	31
Shawneetown	19	125		4	14	11	1	19	176	1	1600	1	700	150			1	19	176	87		18	37		52
Thackery	5	131		3	8	5	2	10	200	4	2000			100			2	10	200	165		10	125	3	14
Totals	126	7067	32	84	120	335	81	771	6913	90	126600	22	15950	11735	623	3318	81	771	6913	1913	62	839	1675	477	1582
Last year	480	7061	35	98	83	345	83	779	6721	90	118950	23	17050	7510	5251	2080	83	779	6721	1535	100	731	1950	452	1642
Increase		6			37				222		7650			1225		1238			222	378		108		25	
Decrease	51		3	14		10	2	8				1	1100		4631		2	8			38		275		60

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NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CL'M. Incl'd.Sul., house rent, or rent'l val. of Parsonage	RECEIPTS. Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	SUPP'T PRESID ELDE'S. Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	SUPP'T OF BISH'S. Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops	CONF. CLA'T. Rec. fr'm Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church: Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. MISSIONS. (a) Church	(b) Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension	S. S. Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and South'n Ed. Soc.	EDUCA. (a) Public Ed'l Col	(b) Child'n's Fund	Amer. Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Miss. So.	Missionary Debt	Gen'l Conference Ex
Belmont	W. D. Margrave	$680	$534	$80	$614	$66	$60	$53	$6	$6	$674	$40	.....	$40	$125	$69	$30	$99	$1	...	...	$2	.....	$6	...	$18	...	$20	$5
Big Prairie	R. E. Pierce	700	600	100	700	.....	60	60	6	1	761	30	.....	30	50	56	4	60	4	$1	5	4	.....	1	...	10	...	.....	6
Carmi	J. A. Taylor	1150	1000	150	1150	.....	100	100	10	10	1260	60	.....	60	110	150	.....	150	10	5	10	$10	....	...	53	...	.....	1
Carrier Mills	E. O. Clark	248	71	3	74	174	28	12	2	6	88	6	.....	6	...	7	.....	7	...	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	...
Crossville	A. J. Bruner	670	582	60	642	28	61	49	6	2	698	30	.....	30	85	90	10	100	6	2	2	6	6	....	...	15	...	.....	2
Dahlgren	J. W. Deweese	575	387	60	447	128	51	30	5	1	486	10	.....	10	80	20	1	21	...	...	...	1	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	...
Eddyville	C. Atchison	560	410	60	470	80	44	39	4	1	532	19	.....	19	50	8	12	20	1	2	1	2	.....	5	...	...	...	.....	...
El Dorado	Greenlee Calvert	600	430	100	530	70	40	46	4	2	572	10	.....	10	25	26	6	32	2	...	1	...	.....	3	...	...	...	.....	...
El Dorado Circuit	D. W. Hopkins	365	284	.....	284	81	28	13	3	...	297	15	.....	15	50	3	.....	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	.....	...
Elizabethtown	A. G. Proctor	560	390	60	450	110	50	36	4	3	489	10	.....	10	60	12	.....	12	1	1	1	1	2	2	...	...	...	.....	2
Enfield	J. S. Cummins	750	650	100	750	.....	65	63	5	3	816	10	.....	10	70	55	20	75	1	1	1	1	2	2	...	...	...	.....	2
Equality	B. S. Smith	800	700	100	800	.....	70	70	5	3	873	20	.....	20	50	39	11	50	2	2	2	2	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	...
Gaiath	Theodore Cates	560	445	60	505	55	50	41	4	4	551	20	.....	20	75	45	.....	45	2	2	2	2	.....	6	$2	5	...	.....	...
Golconda	J. L. Donovan	420	227	75	302	118	10	25	4	4	331	16	.....	16	103	25	15	40	1	2	...	1	.....	1	1	1	1	1	1
Grayville	B. A. Hour	720	600	120	720	.....	60	60	6	2	782	15	.....	15	91	53	25	80	...	...	...	1	.....	3	...	4	...	.....	...
Harrisburg	L. G. Cummins	728	608	45	653	75	70	39	6	2	691	15	.....	15	40	26	11	40	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	195	...	.....	...
Keensburg	B. F. Sheffer	370	320	.....	320	50	38	21	1	.....	344	1	.....	1	80	12	.....	12	...	...	...	...	.....	1	...	...	...	.....	...
Maunie	C. H. Sprague	675	514	75	589	85	60	50	6	6	645	30	.....	30	55	60	15	75	5	3	3	5	.....	5	...	...	...	.....	1
McLeansboro	J. W. Cummins	800	700	100	800	.....	70	58	8	2	856	10	.....	10	113	83	17	100	1	1	1	15	.....	10	...	...	...	.....	2
McLeansboro Circuit	J. R. Campbell	335	293	.....	293	12	10	33	5	2	328	11	.....	11	40	25	.....	25	2	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	1	.....	...
Metropolis	J. W. Jackson	800	700	100	800	.....	70	70	6	4	874	10	.....	10	170	58	15	73	...	...	...	...	.....	3	...	...	...	.....	...
Metropolis Circuit	S. O. Sheridan	425	332	25	357	68	32	27	1	2	386	12	.....	12	30	7	5	12	1	1	...	1	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	...
Mill Shoals	C. H. Jordan	*	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	...	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Carmel	F. L. West	1400	1200	200	1400	.....	120	120	20	20	1540	125	.....	125	125	297	83	380	20	8	8	20	9	11	...	19	...	.....	6
New Burnside	J. E. Jines	450	325	50	375	75	10	36	1	1	112	8	.....	8	50	12	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Norris City	W. J. Hopper	560	500	40	540	20	48	48	5	4	592	16	.....	16	53	35	5	40	5	1	1	4	.....	5	...	...	...	.....	1
Omaha	J. T. Huffman	560	300	60	360	200	10	30	3	3	393	10	.....	10	60	20	.....	20	1	1	...	2	.....	3	...	...	...	.....	2
Ridgway	O. F. Culver	500	350	.....	350	145	10	26	1	3	379	5	.....	5	50	18	2	20	1	...	1	1	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	1
Shawneetown	C. B. Whitesides	620	500	120	620	.....	44	44	4	2	666	12	.....	12	52	15	25	40	2	2	2	.....	.....	3	...	...	...	.....	...
Thackery	A. B. Campbell	268	132	.....	132	.....	20	6	2	.....	158	6	.....	6	20	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total	17849	14084	1943	16027	1670	1579	1305	161	105	17461	612	.....	612	3022	1339	315	1645	83	39	38	97	46	72	3	321	2	21	51
	Last Year	18101	13956	1909	15865	2217	1495	1217	154	96	.....	.....	.....	611	2182	1358	271	1629	85	12	31	81	32	71	11	193	...	120	...
	Increase	.....	128	34	162	.....	84	88	7	9	.....	.....	.....	1	540	.....	44	16	.....	...	4	13	14	1	...	128	2	.....	51
	Decrease	255	.....	.....	.....	574	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	2	3	...	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	...	99	...

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.

STATISTICS No. 1. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 2.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAP-TISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.							SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.									
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Mem-bers	No. Local Preach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Bap-tized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building & Improving Chur'h and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebt-edness, C'h Prop.	Pres't Indebtedness on C'h Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attend-ance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year	Current Expenses
Anna	1	169			1		1	14	125	1	$8000	1	$1200	$20		$235	1	14	125	78			14			$43
Belknap	7	380		14	3	5	4	30	260	7	2400	1	500	115	$50	90	4	30	260	170			28	142	5	60
Benton	3	116		5	1	1	1	10	70	1	5000	1	1000		20	200	1	10	70	50			9	2	2	40
Cairo	25	202			3	4	1	20	150	1	15000	1	2000	40	938	4500	1	20	150	90			20	60		109
Carbondale	8	277	2	5	3		2	31	399	1	8000	1	2000	75	576		2	31	399	168			25	107		120
Carterville	10	126		3			1	10	40	3	3000			600	550	400	1	10	40	35			10	20	2	14
Chester	13	224	1	2	16	16	2	19	192	2	7000	1	1600			75	2	19	192	134			16	62	31	40
Corinth	32	620	2	8	10	58	7	56	375	7	5400	1	600	100			1	18	200	150			18	75	5	75
Du Quoin	8	227	1	4	7	5	1	18	200	1	9000	1	800		400	1600	3	14	175	125			15	50	12	50
Elco	6	174		5		3	3	14	175	4	4000	1	500	100	200	140	5	32	255	183			32		37	60
Frankfort	7	309	2	13	1	13	5	32	255	5	2000	1	300	600			3	25	200	150			25		1	50
Jonesboro	6	228		2		1	3	25	200	3	2000	1	600		69		1	15	165	100			13		2	55
Marion	3	190	1	1	5		1	15	165	1	6000	1	1500	1			3	24	150	130			19			100
Makanda		249		3	3	5	3	24	150	3	4500			25		300	1	12	116	71			10	25		40
Mound City	3	111		4	5	1	1	12	116	1	3000	1	1000	25			2	61	852	345	93		61	356	20	227
Mt. Vernon—First Church	73	615	4	10	1	6	2	61	852	2	25500	1	2500		1000	470	1	14	140	90			14		4	45
Mt. Vernon—Union Street	12	100	1		3	4	1	14	140	1	2100	1	500	50	160	275	6	61	400	300			60	250	90	185
Mt. Vernon Circuit	40	392	1	6	6	15	6	61	400	6	4800	1	600	200			1	23	208	150			21	50	20	80
Murphysboro	14	184	1		6	6	1	23	208	1	4000	1	1500	100			4	40	300	200			35	80	30	22
Opdyke	2	270	1	3		3	4	40	300	4	3300	1	450	600			1	20	200	150			20	50		75
Pinckneyville		208			4	4	1	20	200	1	3500	1	1250	100			5	30	200	120			25	12		25
Spring Garden	10	212		4	1	6	5	30	200	5	2500	1	400	10			2	16	130	90			16			50
Steeleville	7	135	1			8	2	16	130	2	2500	1	650	90			3	40	215	185			40			45
Tamaroa	2	127		1	2	1	3	40	215	4	2700	1	500	150	50	100	3	19	165	100			18		16	36
Thebes	25	138		4	2	41	3	19	165	4	4500	1	500	100		750	3	19	165	100			18		16	36
Vergennes	23	329	1	4	4	23	4	46	300	4	4500	1	600	30	40	114	4	46	300	225			46		21	125
Vienna	15	160		1		19	1	14	170	1	7000	1	1100				1	18	170	100			14	100	25	40
Vienna Circuit	16	258	1	5	3	5	4	20	185	7	3500	1	400	100		15	4	20	185	150			15	145	20	35
Villa Ridge	11	103		7	5	3	3	21	150	3	1800						3	21	150	125			11			20
Waltonville	8	281	3	6	2	19	4	33	224	4	2500	1	600	45			4	33	224	150			33		18	34
Totals	390	7117	23	120	97	275	80	788	6686	90	157000	27	25550	3276	4053	9265	80	794	6711	4394	93	739	1586	386	2010	
Last year	543	7083	27	119	123	392	76	777	6177	87	156800	25	24900	9647	7869	12094	76	777	6177	4337		686	1581	590	1804	
Increase		34		1			4	11	509	3	200	2	650				4	17	534	57	93	53	2		206	
Decrease	153		4		26	117								6371	3816	2839								204		

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CL'M. Includ. Sal., house rent, or rent Val. of Parsonage	RECEIPTS. Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	SUPP'T PRESID ELDE'S. Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	SUPP'T OF BISH'S. Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops	CONF. CLA'T. Rec. fr'm Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church, Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. MISSIONS. (a) Church	(b) Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension	S. S. Union	Tract Society	EDUCA. Freedmen's Aid and South'n Ed. Soc.	(a) Public Edt'l Col	(b) Children's Fund	Amer. Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Wom. Home Miss. Soc.	Missionary Debt	Gen'l Conference Ex.
Anna	Lawrence Smith	$765	$600	$100	$700	$65	$40	$42	$6	$3	$745	$2	$10	$12	$163	$42	$13	$55	$5	$1	$1	$1	.....	$2	.....	.....	.....	.....	$3	2	1
Belknap	J. E. McCracken	600	510	60	570	30	48	48	.....	1	619	14	.....	14	75	16	2	18	1	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benton	S. S. Smith	600	475	100	575	25	36	48	.....	1	612	10	.....	10	115	24	7	31	1	...	...	...	.....	2	$1	87	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cairo	J. A. Scarritt	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	60	60	.....	5	1265	10	.....	10	226	38	22	60	.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	2	74	32	.....	.....	.....
Carbondale	C. B. Besse	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	95	95	15	15	1310	60	.....	60	170	125	25	150	20	4	4	20	$4	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carterville	Philip Glotfelty	300	213	.....	213	87	32	32	4	4	249	2	13	15	40	14	.....	14	2	1	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chester & Palestine	Ressho Robertson	750	600	150	750	.....	52	52	8	4	806	10	.....	10	70	30	10	40	4	1	1	9	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	$15	.....	4
Corinth	T. O. Holley	730	640	60	700	30	72	72	8	6	778	30	.....	30	125	76	9	85	1	...	...	8	.....	7	2	1	.....	.....	.....	2
Duquoin	J. Y. Reid	750	630	120	750	.....	40	40	5	5	795	25	.....	25	150	35	30	65	5	2	2	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Elco	J. K. Hunter	560	430	60	490	70	40	40	.....	.....	513	.....	.....	.....	75	6	.....	6	1	1	...	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Frankfort	P. H. Hearn	450	270	50	320	124	40	40	6	4	370	2	4	6	90	10	.....	10	2	...	...	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Jonesboro	Silas Green	672	420	72	492	180	40	27	6	3	522	6	.....	6	40	18	10	28	.....	...	...	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Marion	J. H. Ford	800	680	120	800	.....	44	44	8	8	852	30	.....	30	48	25	40	65	9	3	2	8	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
Makanda	J. L. Shaderick	650	393	.....	393	257	48	50	.....	1	434	7	.....	7	90	7	7	14	1	1	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Mound City	G. E. McCammon	700	600	100	700	.....	40	40	6	6	746	25	.....	25	90	26	14	40	6	2	1	2	6	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Mt. Vernon, 1st Ch	J. F. Harmon	1400	1200	200	1400	.....	105	105	20	20	1525	140	.....	140	457	300	100	400	50	12	12	12	30	12	12	150	93	.....	.....	17
Mt. Vernon, Union St.	C. D. McCammon	400	400	.....	400	.....	30	30	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	8	50	12	.....	12	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon Circuit	J. C. Kinison	700	583	100	683	17	60	60	.....	.....	750	30	.....	30	120	68	2	70	5	3	3	5	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Murphysboro	C. W. Sabine	720	600	120	720	.....	44	44	6	6	770	30	.....	30	150	28	44	72	7	3	3	7	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
Opdyke	Grant Groves	460	360	60	420	40	40	44	6	2	466	13	.....	13	78	28	.....	28	1	...	...	2	7	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	4
Pinckneyville	W. A. Cross	850	700	150	850	.....	50	50	7	7	.....	25	.....	25	125	23	42	65	7	3	3	7	1	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Spring Garden	B. F. Ford	400	247	50	297	103	36	36	.....	2	340	5	.....	5	5	10	.....	10	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Steeleville	W. D. McIntosh	572	500	72	572	.....	36	40	3	2	613	9	1	10	80	30	.....	30	3	...	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Tamaroa	W. V. Kirkpatrick	450	263	50	313	147	36	36	6	1	340	8	.....	8	60	10	.....	10	1	...	...	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thebes	P. A. Smith	450	331	50	381	69	36	36	5	2	419	2	3	5	30	6	.....	6	2	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vergennes	J. H. Davis	575	486	75	561	14	40	40	6	6	607	32	.....	32	75	26	26	52	7	2	2	2	1	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Vienna	A. J. Littell	800	700	100	800	.....	48	50	6	6	856	25	.....	25	100	38	12	50	6	2	2	2	.....	6	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	7
Vienna Circuit	B. F. Utley	450	235	50	285	115	40	40	3	2	327	6	11	17	50	11	4	15	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	.....	1	.....	.....	6
Villa Ridge	T. P. Brannum	415	415	.....	415	.....	30	30	4	4	449	15	.....	15	40	23	7	30	4	2	3	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waltonville	S. A. D. Rogers	560	500	60	560	.....	40	40	6	6	606	25	.....	25	15	41	9	50	6	3	3	6	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
	Totals	19920	15981	2529	18516	1373	1398	1411	150	138	18684	606	42	655	2002	1146	435	1581	159	47	49	142	30	53	160	183	3	15	100
	Last Year	19295	15460	2472	17932	1379	1422	1375	186	135	.....	.....	.....	688	2964	1261	431	1692	158	46	47	148	25	59	60	193	4	54	.....
	Increase	624	521	57	584	.....	.....	36	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	1	2	.....	5	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	100
	Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	24	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	962	115	.....	111	.....	...	...	6	.....	6	.....	10	1	39	.....	.....

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.							SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.									
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. Local Preach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building & Improving Churs. and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness, Ch. Prop.	Present Indebtedness on Ch. Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't.	No. of Officers and Church Members who are Teachers or Probationers	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year	Current Expenses
Albion	.....	160	2	1	1	.....	1	17	140	1	$3000	1	$1250	$75	.....	.....	1	17	140	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	$65
Albion Circuit	.....	280	.....	3	3	10	4	58	425	4	5100	.....	.....	75	$50	$700	4	58	425	260	.....	58	120	10	75
Allendale	33	430	1	10	3	58	6	70	450	6	8500	1	1000	500	25	25	6	70	450	350	.....	70	.....	60	120
Bone Gap	7	330	1	1	3	7	2	47	431	2	2600	1	1000	474	15	.....	2	47	431	275	70	47	325	26	68
Bridgeport	5	350	.....	2	4	6	3	60	285	3	6000	1	800	50	.....	.....	3	60	285	235	.....	60	130	15	95
Claremont	1	310	1	3	4	.....	5	54	325	6	4300	1	600	50	.....	.....	5	54	325	200	.....	50	.....	4	100
Calhoun	.....	385	.....	7	.....	.....	4	49	294	4	4100	1	600	190	20	.....	4	49	294	207	.....	49	.....	.....	102
Clay City	2	187	.....	1	.....	6	2	23	185	2	3000	1	500	20	.....	.....	2	23	185	140	.....	23	115	3	50
Duncanville	7	205	1	5	.....	2	4	40	180	4	3200	1	500	240	170	200	4	40	180	150	.....	35	100	16	40
Fairfield	20	444	1	4	1	18	1	28	300	1	12000	1	2000	400	.....	.....	1	28	300	185	.....	28	.....	28	80
Flat Rock	2	226	.....	5	3	7	3	49	325	5	5500	1	500	346	502	.....	3	49	329	15	.....	47	150	7	105
Flora	13	320	.....	5	10	6	1	20	180	1	5000	1	1000	.....	.....	350	1	20	180	150	40	20	180	5	150
Hutsonville	12	281	.....	4	.....	16	3	52	260	3	7500	1	2000	.....	1013	.....	3	52	260	210	.....	50	.....	16	95
Jeffersonville	8	300	1	2	2	8	6	53	335	6	3000	1	500	30	.....	.....	6	53	335	250	25	50	150	10	50
Lawrenceville	16	204	.....	3	3	.....	1	20	180	1	3000	.....	.....	102	420	.....	1	20	180	116	.....	20	50	9	44
Mt. Erie	6	325	1	6	2	3	6	41	457	6	5000	1	500	1200	.....	.....	6	41	457	280	.....	41	150	3	50
Newton	4	235	1	3	3	5	1	25	150	1	2500	1	1000	200	.....	.....	1	25	150	120	.....	25	75	25	55
Noble	.....	260	.....	1	8	2	4	40	200	4	6000	1	600	25	.....	.....	4	40	200	150	.....	35	100	3	80
Oblong	6	450	.....	6	1	16	6	65	550	6	5600	1	1000	100	.....	.....	6	65	550	375	25	65	175	10	101
Olney	10	436	2	4	1	31	1	35	276	1	6000	1	1500	94	.....	.....	1	35	276	203	55	35	275	20	107
Robinson	15	359	.....	6	2	28	1	24	200	1	5000	1	1500	23	.....	.....	1	24	200	150	.....	24	145	35	43
Rose Hill	7	146	.....	5	.....	.....	2	12	105	2	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12	105	55	.....	12	.....	.....	18
Sumner	6	300	1	1	.....	2	1	18	115	1	4500	1	1000	65	.....	.....	1	18	115	85	.....	18	.....	.....	43
Sumner Circuit	1	265	.....	2	.....	.....	5	32	300	5	4000	1	400	.....	262	.....	5	32	300	200	.....	28	230	5	31
West Liberty	16	222	.....	2	4	1	5	35	240	5	4000	1	400	130	32	75	5	35	240	170	.....	32	.....	16	80
West Salem	2	130	.....	2	.....	13	3	35	200	3	3100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	35	200	150	.....	35	100	10	20
Wheeler	4	243	.....	4	.....	3	3	29	171	4	2500	1	400	135	.....	16	3	29	171	100	.....	29	115	4	40
Willow Hill	2	127	2	2	.....	14	4	35	150	4	3800	1	600	.....	14	.....	4	35	150	100	24	35	75	7	50
Totals	205	7910	15	100	61	260	88	1066	7429	94	119800	24	21150	4524	2511	1378	88	1066	7413	4991	239	1021	2760	347	1957
Last Year	279	7939	15	87	79	313	88	1122	7428	94	126000	24	20800	9367	1002	3689	88	1122	7428	5322	215	1095	2561	559	2022
Increase	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	350	.....	1509	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....	199	.....	.....
Decrease	74	29	.....	.....	18	53	.....	56	.....	.....	6200	.....	.....	4843	.....	2311	.....	56	15	331	.....	74	.....	212	1065

OLNEY DISTRICT.

STATISTICS No. 3. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 4.

NAM OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CL'M.	RECEIPTS. Incluđ. Sal, house rent or rent'l val. of Parsonage	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	SUPP'T PRESID ELDE'S. Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	SUPP'T OF BISH'S. Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops	CONF. CLA'T. Rec. fr'm Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church: Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. MISSIONS. (a) Church	(b) Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension	S. S. Union	Tract Society	EDUCA. Freedmen's Aid and South'n Ed. Soc.	(a) Public Ed'l Col	(b) Child'n's Fund.	Amer. Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Wom. Home Miss. So.	Missionary Debt	Gen'l Conference Ex.
Albion	W. H. Pool	$700	$600	$100	$700	.....	$40	$30	$7	$7	$649	$30	.....	$30	$70	$55	$15	$70	$5	$2	$1	$5	$6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$4
Albion Circuit	E. M. Barringer	548	418	48	466	$82	44	38	7	6	510	15	.....	15	160	31	19	50	4	1	1	4	.....	$10	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
Allendale	P. C. Carlin	622	530	72	602	20	56	53	8	4	659	14	.....	14	60	45	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Bone Gap	S. A. McIntosh	734	650	84	734	.....	52	52	10	8	794	41	.....	41	100	133	17	150	8	3	3	8	.....	10	...	$70	.....	.....	11
Bridgeport	D. W. Baker	750	650	100	750	.....	50	50	10	10	810	40	.....	40	130	150	50	200	8	5	5	8	10	.....	...	25	.....	.....	10
Claremont	Andrew Dewhirst	622	525	50	575	47	52	50	10	7	632	20	.....	20	120	116	9	125	4	1	1	5	.....	20	...	2	...	$5	3
Calhoun	H. O. Hiser	572	493	72	565	7	52	52	10	8	625	30	.....	30	125	105	25	130	4	2	2	10	1	10	$3	.....	.....	.....	5
Clay City	L. W. Porter	560	500	60	560	.....	40	36	6	2	598	5	$3	8	65	15	13	28	3	1	...	3	.....	3	...	14	.....	.....	6
Duncanville	Irvin McMurray	350	262	50	312	38	32	27	4	4	343	5	.....	5	50	219	1	220	2	1	1	4	.....	4	...	55	.....	.....	4
Fairfield	W. T. Morris	950	800	150	950	.....	80	80	15	15	1045	40	.....	40	200	55	45	100	10	1	1	10	4	.....	...	181	.....	.....	.....
Flat Rock	L. C. Wilkin	560	485	60	545	15	55	54	6	5	604	25	.....	25	86	88	27	115	5	1	1	7	.....	6	...	20	.....	.....	6
Flora	F. L. Thomson	1000	800	200	1000	.....	54	54	8	8	1062	30	.....	30	200	70	40	110	15	5	5	15	.....	19	...	70	.....	.....	8
Hutsonville	Willard Kiesling	700	550	150	700	.....	48	48	6	4	749	13	.....	13	160	60	10	70	5	1	1	3	2	6	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Jeffersonville	C. O. Morris	410	315	60	375	35	40	36	4	5	416	10	.....	10	50	25	5	30	1	1	1	1	5	5	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Lawrenceville	John Leeper	600	500	100	600	.....	40	36	7	7	643	20	.....	20	123	50	21	71	7	3	3	7	.....	7	...	9	...	4	7
Mt. Erle	R. H. Carr	500	374	60	434	66	45	41	6	4	479	18	.....	18	100	29	21	50	3	1	1	2	5	.....	...	26	.....	.....	3
Newton	William Carson	750	650	100	750	.....	48	48	12	12	810	50	.....	50	125	435	50	485	15	5	5	41	.....	10	1	270	.....	.....	10
Noble	A. W. James	575	465	75	540	35	46	41	9	7	588	30	.....	30	80	90	10	100	5	2	2	7	.....	15	...	.....	.....	.....	7
Oblong	A. W. Van Houten	700	600	100	700	.....	60	60	8	4	763	25	.....	25	195	135	15	150	3	2	2	3	.....	6	...	20	.....	.....	2
Olney	J. G. Harmon	950	800	150	950	.....	95	95	12	12	1057	50	.....	50	190	227	40	267	25	10	10	25	.....	15	...	123	.....	.....	20
Robinson	C. A. Becket	950	800	150	950	.....	61	61	12	12	1023	40	.....	40	160	83	52	135	12	6	6	12	.....	10	2	75	.....	.....	12
Rose Hill	Nelson Stauffer	200	200	.....	200	.....	20	20	3	3	223	14	.....	14	24	29	1	30	2	1	1	1	1	4	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sumner	S. P. Groves	800	650	100	750	50	50	41	9	8	799	25	.....	25	106	75	5	80	3	1	1	3	.....	3	...	56	1	.....	2
Sumner Circuit	J. A. Westerman	410	325	60	385	25	32	26	6	5	416	15	.....	15	20	42	3	45	3	2	2	4	.....	6	...	7	.....	.....	3
West Liberty	W. G. Hale	530	460	70	530	.....	40	40	6	6	576	17	.....	17	80	74	18	92	7	...	...	5	.....	10	1	8	.....	.....	3
West Salem	W. M. Johnson	354	300	54	354	.....	25	25	4	4	383	18	.....	18	30	23	7	30	4	1	1	4	.....	6	...	11	.....	.....	4
Wheeler	C. S. Tritt	450	343	50	393	57	35	29	6	4	426	12	.....	12	75	23	4	27	3	1	1	3	.....	3	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Willow Hill	J. W Edmondson	460	380	60	440	20	28	26	6	.....	466	16	.....	16	50	34	11	45	2	1	1	4	.....	5	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total	17307	14425	2385	16810	497	.....	1249	.....	181	18148	668	3	671	2934	2521	534	3055	168	61	59	206	34	198	8	1042	1	9	140
	Last Year	17321	14348	2101	16444	904	1320	1245	237	152	.....	.....	.....	651	2863	2183	531	2714	165	59	58	164	29	193	7	1030	1	269	.....
	Increase	.....	82	284	366	.....	.....	4	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	20	71	338	3	341	3	2	1	42	5	5	1	12	...	.....	140
	Decrense	14	.....	.....	.....	507	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	260	.....

VANDALIA DISTRICT.

STATISTICS No. 1. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 2.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.							SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.								
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. Local Preach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building & Improving Ch'rs and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness, Ch Prop.	Pres't Indebtedness on Ch Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year	Current Expenses
Alma	10	186	.....	1	1	3	3	28	250	3	$2000	1	$600	$25	.....	$10	3	28	250	200	.....	28	125	10	$50
Altamont	10	285	.....	3	8	58	1	18	175	1	2000	1	800	275	.....	.....	1	18	175	140	.....	18	125	75	75
Avena	8	254	4	4	4	.....	6	54	354	6	4000	1	500	180	.....	.....	6	54	354	260	.....	50	180	.....	76
Beecher City	10	150	.....	6	.....	32	7	75	355	4	2580	.....	.....	575	.....	200	7	75	355	323	.....	55	165	30	45
Centralia	6	340	2	4	11	21	1	25	250	1	6000	1	2000	35	.....	.....	1	25	250	200	.....	24	.....	12	112
Central City	15	90	.....	2	9	9	4	36	250	3	2200	1	400	350	.....	50	4	36	250	150	.....	30	.....	10	36
Cisne	6	170	.....	1	1	4	2	20	210	2	2000	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	2	20	210	155	.....	20	88	13	40
Effingham	6	270	2	1	3	2	1	17	180	1	12000	1	1000	20	$100	3000	1	17	180	100	.....	17	.....	2	105
Farina	25	200	1	5	1	5	2	30	179	3	2600	1	700	35	210	.....	2	30	179	111	.....	29	78	20	45
Irvington	.....	196	.....	5	4	.....	2	20	100	3	3000	1	500	.....	.....	.....	2	20	100	60	.....	20	.....	.....	20
Iuka	3	155	1	1	1	2	4	44	167	4	2700	1	625	131	.....	.....	4	44	167	142	.....	44	97	4	29
Johnsonville	20	200	1	5	.....	14	3	30	160	3	1250	1	400	.....	.....	.....	3	30	160	120	.....	26	.....	12	60
Kinmundy	.....	140	1	3	3	.....	1	16	150	1	1000	1	500	59	.....	.....	1	16	150	120	.....	14	150	.....	65
Louisville	2	218	1	4	.....	1	4	41	280	4	3300	1	400	105	.....	.....	4	41	280	170	.....	35	.....	.....	60
Mason	10	280	2	3	2	11	3	24	200	3	2700	1	500	.....	.....	.....	3	24	200	150	.....	24	.....	13	45
Moccasin	7	26	.....	1	.....	.....	4	60	370	4	3400	1	500	75	.....	.....	4	60	370	250	.....	60	.....	6	50
Montrose	7	208	.....	4	.....	.....	4	30	160	4	4000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	30	160	125	.....	20	.....	6	30
Odin	5	112	1	2	2	.....	2	20	150	2	4000	1	800	10	100	.....	2	20	150	125	.....	20	50	10	50
Patoka	4	390	1	1	.....	5	4	45	290	5	3400	1	1000	118	.....	.....	4	45	290	210	.....	38	125	6	67
Saylor Springs	26	322	.....	4	2	3	5	50	250	5	3500	2	1000	16	.....	.....	5	50	250	200	.....	50	.....	40	90
St. Elmo	30	185	.....	7	13	20	1	19	150	1	1500	1	800	15	.....	.....	1	19	150	120	.....	19	.....	50	40
Salem	20	296	3	.....	4	20	1	34	218	1	6000	1	1400	270	.....	.....	1	34	218	142	.....	28	110	20	205
Shobonier	39	148	3	2	.....	.....	4	40	300	4	2900	1	300	200	.....	.....	4	40	300	175	.....	36	.....	13	15
Vandalia	5	340	.....	4	3	.....	1	35	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	35	400	250	.....	34	150	.....	250
Walnut Hill	12	172	1	4	2	3	4	46	300	4	2250	1	600	75	.....	.....	4	46	300	250	.....	45	.....	2	70
Watson	32	311	1	5	.....	10	5	40	200	5	4500	1	600	30	.....	.....	5	40	200	180	.....	40	130	10	40
Wayne City	3	198	.....	1	.....	13	3	23	180	3	1200	1	300	.....	.....	.....	3	23	180	128	.....	20	.....	8	50
Xenia	7	207	.....	2	.....	8	6	42	365	4	3000	1	400	450	.....	.....	6	42	365	230	.....	30	125	12	60
Totals	328	6049	25	85	74	246	88	962	6593	84	89380	25	16625	3129	410	3297	88	962	6593	4786	.....	874	1698	384	1880
Last Year	351	6311	23	98	65	245	86	989	6691	86	105850	26	18960	5169	1035	4047	86	989	6691	4685	.....	859	1616	390	1747
Increase	.....	.....	2	.....	9	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	101	.....	15	82	.....	133
Decrease	23	262	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	27	98	2	16470	1	2335	2040	625	750	.....	27	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....

VANDALIA DISTRICT

STATISTICS No. 3. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 4.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CL'M.	RECEIPTS.				SUPP'T PRESID ELDE'S.		SUPP'T OF BISH'S.		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops	CONF. CLA'T.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																		Gen'l Conference Ex.
															MISSIONS.							EDUCA.												
		Includ. Sal. house-rent or rent'l val. of Parsonage	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	Amount Appor-tioned	Amount Paid	Amount Appor-tioned	Amount Paid		Collections	Other Sources	Total	(a) Church	(b) Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension	S. S. Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and South'n Ed. Soc.	(a) Public Ed'l Col	(b) Child'n's Fund	Amer. Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Missionary Debt	
Alma	D. J. Little	$475	$400	$50	$450	$25	$40	$38	$6	$2	$490	$12	.....	$12	$40	$50	$10	$60	$1	...	$1	$1	$2	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	$1
Altamont	A. H. Pitkin	700	625	100	725	.....	50	50	6	6	781	30	.....	30	150	86	14	100	6	$2	2	47	.....	$1	...	$75	.....	.....	6
Avena	G. N. Wilkerson	560	460	60	520	40	60	50	8	8	572	15	.....	15	100	36	10	46	2	...	1	4	.....	3	$1	.....	.....	.....	1
Beecher City	J. F. Sapp	202	162	21	186	82	32	32	4	2	220	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centralia	J. B. Ravenscroft	1200	950	200	1150	50	100	100	15	17	1267	65	.....	65	250	149	36	185	10	1	1	9	4	8	...	79	.....	$5	15
Central City	J. S. Hall	231	230	15	245	.....	18	18	3	3	266	12	.....	12	25	20	4	24	3	1	1	2	.....	2	...	.....	.....	.....	3
Cisne	R. H. Crowder	400	350	50	400	.....	40	42	6	3	445	9	$15	24	60	58	2	60	2	2	1	5	.....	2	...	.....	.....	.....	2
Effingham	J. W. McNeill	1200	775	200	975	225	80	63	10	6	1044	25	.....	25	160	80	.....	80	4	2	1	4	.....	4	...	60	.....	.....	2
Farina	H. H. Young	625	475	75	550	75	50	50	8	3	603	20	.....	20	65	65	10	75	5	1	1	4	4	.....	...	16	.....	.....	2
Irvington	W. L. Decker	400	340	50	390	10	40	40	5	4	434	20	.....	20	50	40	.....	40	.....	2	1	1	2	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	1
Iuka	W. L. Cunningham	246	.....	75	321	54	40	29	5	2	552	6	4	10	16	27	.....	27	5	...	...	4	3	.....	...	.....	.....	5	5
Johnsonville	V. C. White	425	365	60	425	.....	40	40	5	.....	465	22	.....	22	60	40	10	50	.....	2	2	2	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	1
Kinmundy	M. B. Baker	650	500	100	600	.....	48	48	7	3	651	28	.....	28	73	53	17	70	2	2	2	2	.....	5	...	.....	.....	.....	2
Louisville	Albert Harris	650	550	50	600	50	50	48	8	6	654	30	.....	30	60	80	10	90	6	2	2	5	.....	4	...	.....	.....	.....	5
Mason	J. W. Webster	525	397	75	472	53	44	40	7	3	515	10	.....	10	70	34	10	44	2	1	1	2	.....	3	...	.....	.....	.....	4
Moccasin	J. C. Gooch	500	450	50	500	.....	48	48	7	5	553	21	.....	21	75	70	.....	70	5	2	2	5	3	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	2
Montrose	W. L. Rhein	400	259	.....	259	141	40	40	4	.....	299	3	.....	3	36	18	.....	18	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Odin	J. N. Eason	800	685	100	785	15	40	40	7	5	830	25	.....	25	105	65	.....	65	4	...	...	4	2	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	5
Patoka	J. W. Borah	575	481	75	556	19	60	60	8	8	624	18	16	34	65	82	.....	82	9	3	2	14	2	3	...	.....	.....	.....	8
Saylor Springs	William Powis	650	525	100	625	25	50	48	7	7	680	28	.....	28	90	60	20	80	8	2	2	7	4	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	8
St. Elmo	Douglas Shouse	825	700	125	825	.....	50	50	8	8	883	36	.....	36	100	60	30	90	10	2	2	8	4	3	2	.....	.....	.....	8
Salem	S. P. Young	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	100	100	10	10	1310	70	.....	70	225	165	.....	165	15	2	2	22	.....	7	...	34	.....	.....	10
Shobonier	A. A. Moore	395	256	60	316	79	40	32	4	1	349	6	.....	6	20	30	.....	30	2	1	1	2	.....	3	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Vandalia	J. G. Tucker	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	100	100	14	4	1304	60	.....	60	380	105	20	125	4	...	4	4	.....	.....	...	100	.....	.....	5
Walnut Hill	M. H. Loar	500	350	60	410	90	50	48	6	2	460	18	.....	18	100	37	.....	37	2	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	2
Watson	P. R. Keplinger	416	328	31	359	87	48	39	6	4	402	15	.....	15	50	35	.....	35	1	1	1	1	.....	1	...	.....	.....	.....	6
Wayne City	H. T. Eaton	425	204	50	254	171	32	30	4	1	285	4	.....	4	50	3	.....	3	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...
Xenia	Albert Vandaveer	500	400	50	450	50	40	35	7	.....	485	10	.....	10	110	25	5	30	5	...	...	2	3	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...
	Totals	17164	13463	2290	15753	1331	1490	1358	195	117	.....	.....	.....	654	2610	1593	208	1781	113	30	31	164	33	52	3	364	.....	10	103
	Last year	16793	13442	2214	15656	1155	1431	1373	195	108	.....	.....	.....	610	2485	1387	280	1667	96	30	36	97	32	75	4	288	2	78	.....
	Increase	371	21	76	97	176	56	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	44	125	206	.....	114	17	...	...	67	1	.....	...	76	.....	.....	103
	Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	23	1	.....	2	68	.....

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

STATISTICS No. 1. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 2.

NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	CHURCH MEMB'RSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.								
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. Local Preach's.	No. of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value	Paid for Building & Improving Chur's and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness, C'h Prop.	Pres't Indebtedness on C'h Property	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance	No. of Members in the Home Dep't.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Conversions in Sunday-school during this year	Current Expenses
Alton	251	3974	11	73	95	133	47	623	4322	52	$118900	23	$24150	$3454	$437	$2002	49	635	4402	2889	95	585	855	214	$1778
Lebanon	198	4390	10	60	162	117	52	629	5035	54	113700	22	25150	6851	1240	5528	52	626	5035	3328	97	566	1573	185	1673
Mt. Carmel	426	7067	32	84	120	335	81	771	6943	90	126600	22	15950	11735	623	3318	81	771	6943	4913	62	839	1675	477	1582
Mt. Vernon	390	7117	23	120	97	275	80	788	6086	90	157000	27	25550	3276	4053	9265	80	794	6711	4394	93	739	1586	386	2010
Olney	205	7910	15	100	61	200	88	1066	7429	94	119800	24	21150	4524	2511	1378	88	1066	7413	4991	239	1021	2760	347	1957
Vandalia	328	6049	25	85	74	246	88	962	6593	84	89380	25	16625	3129	410	3297	88	962	6593	4786	.....	874	1698	384	1880
Grand Totals	1798	36507	116	522	609	1366	436	4889	37008	464	725380	143	128575	32969	9274	24788	438	4854	37097	25301	586	4624	10147	1993	10880
Last Year	2217	36981	133	524	580	1632	435	4957	36875	467	743350	142	129235	49280	17265	28450	435	4957	36875	25688	576	4562	10353	2579	10511
Increase	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	1	.....	133	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	222	.....	10	62	.....	.....	369
Decrease	419	474	17	2	.....	266	.....	118	.....	3	17970	.....	660	16311	7991	3662	.....	103	.....	387	.....	.....	206	586	.....

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

STATISTICS No. 3. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, 1899. STATISTICS No. 4.

| NAME OF DISTRICT. | NAME OF PRESIDING ELDER. | PASTOR'S SUPPORT. | | | | | SUPP'T PRESID. ELDERS. | | SUPP'T OF BISH'S. | | Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops | CONF. CLA'TS. | | | Church: Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc. | BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. | | | | |

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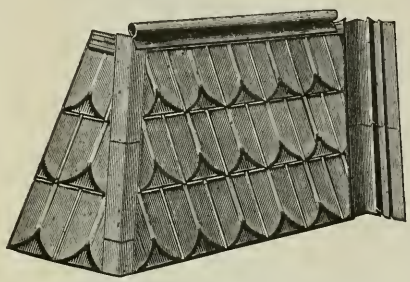

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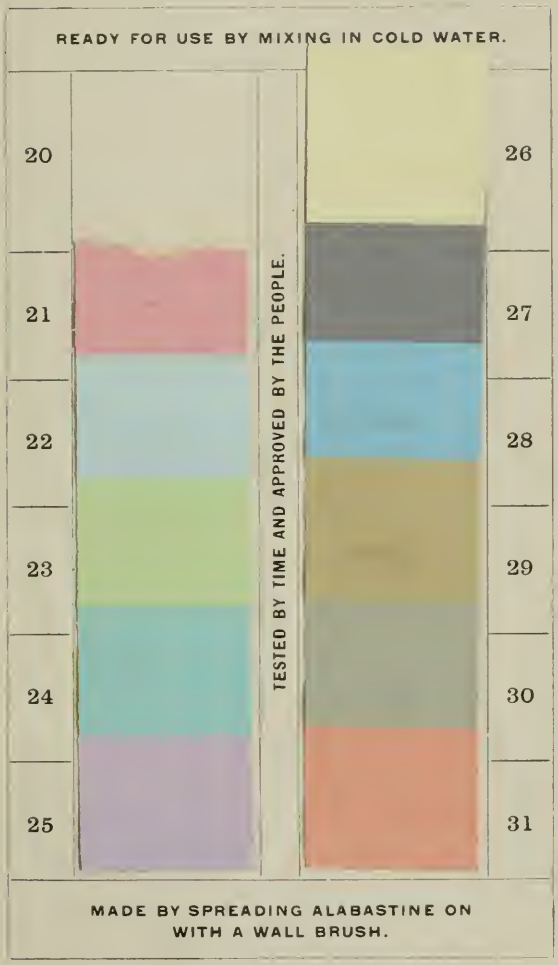

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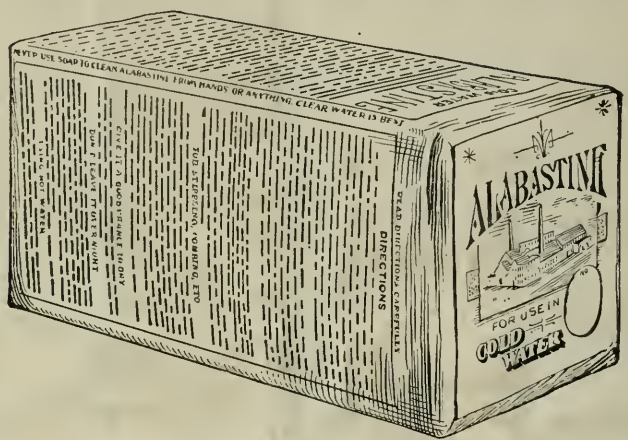
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